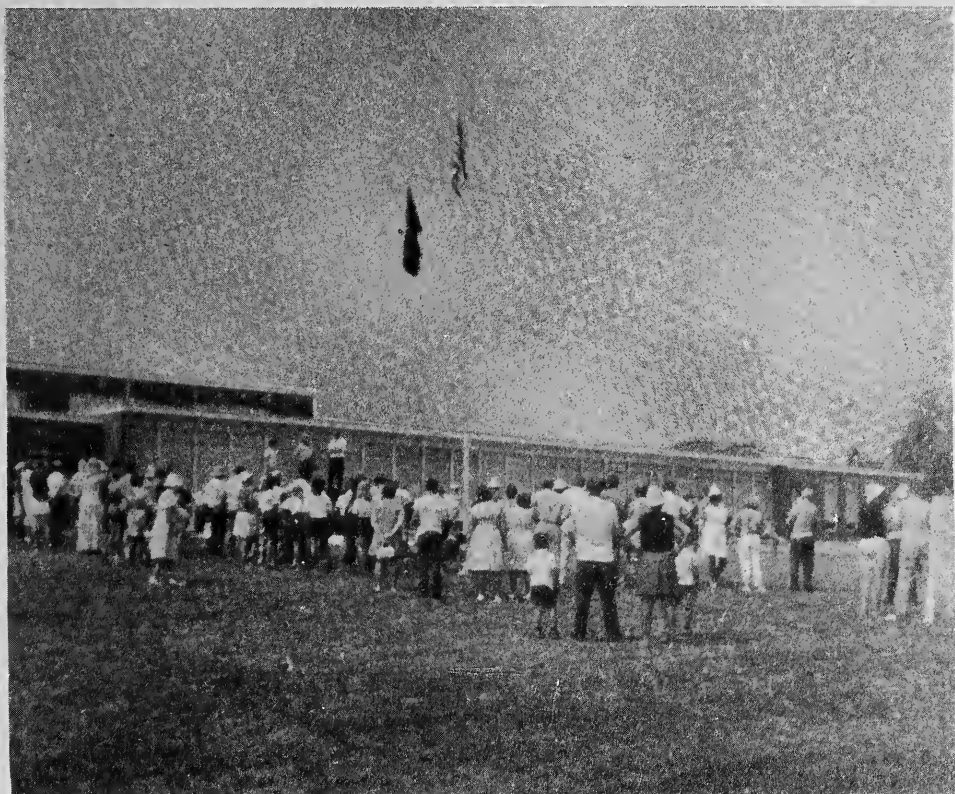


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December 31, 1970

TOWN OFFICERS

SELECTMEN

Victor S. Bergstrom John B. Young Albert W. Leighton

TOWN CLERK and TREASURER

Phyllis F. Lynbourg

TAX COLLECTOR

James F. Stiles

MODERATOR

Leonard C. Hardwick

SUPERVISORS OF CHECK LIST

Willis G. Bennett Freda J. Harding Esther R. Henderson

Myrtle Hammer

HEALTH OFFICER

Albert W. Leighton

AUDITORS

Roger S. Leighton

Donald R. Poppema

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

Oscar B. Pratt

Albert H. Brown

Clyde S. Gray

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Ellen E. Stiles

Hattie M. Foss

Martha Z. Bennett

LIBRARIAN

Eleanor Smith

FIRE WARDEN

Sumner B. Hayes

DEPUTIES

Alberton H. Berry

George W. Thorne

John D. MacDougall

Radford Messenger

ROAD AGENT

Gerald E. Thorne

CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR

Davis Clarke

BUILDING INSPECTORS

Selectmen

SPECIAL POLICE

Edgar E. Burrows, Chief

Harold F. Irving

Carl S. Brown

TOWN WARRANT

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Polls open 10:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M.

To the inhabitants of the Town of Strafford in the County of Strafford in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Strafford Elementary School in said Strafford on Tuesday, the ninth day of March next, at ten of the clock, in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Please Note: All Articles except #1 will be taken up at 8:00 P.M.

2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriation of the same.

3. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for Public Welfare including Old Age Assistance.

4. To see if the Town will accept Town Road Aid and raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,231.46 to which the State will contribute \$8,209.73.

5. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for Highways and Bridges.

6. To see if the Town will vote to complete the section of Class II Highway, presently laid out for completion by the State Highway Dept. (from Ernest Brown's residence to the intersection of Province and Northwood Roads) at an estimated cost to the Town of \$50,000, one quarter (\$12,500.00) to be raised at this meeting, and the other three quarters by three notes, in the amount of \$12,500.00 each, for the next three years, and raise and appropriate same.

7. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,168.00 as the Town's share for Class II Highway Construction of Province Road and be eligible for TRA and

Class V Funds.

8. To see what sum of money the Town wishes to raise and appropriate to the Capital Reserve Fund for improving Water Street and docking facilities at Bow Lake.

9. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 for maintaining Bow Lake Beach at the dam.

10. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$800.00 for maintenance of the Bow Lake Fire Dept.

11. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 for improvements to the Crown Point Fire House.

12. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 for the repair of the Center Strafford Fire House.

13. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for the White Pine Blister Rust Control Program.

14. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for observance of Memorial Day.

15. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the Lakes Region Association.

16. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 for operating the Town Library.

17. To hear the report of the Library Building Committee and recommendation and if approved, raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,000.00.

18. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,800.00 for control and operation of the Town Dump.

19. To hear the report and see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$943.00 in the support of the Rural District Health Council.

20. To hear the report of and see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,300.00 as a donation to the Center Barnstead Fire Dept. for providing Ambulance Service to the Town of Strafford.

21. To hear the report of the Sesquicentennial Committee, its successful enterprise and an estimated financial conclusion and a Merit Award from your Townspeople.

22. To hear the report of the Town Conservation Commission and to see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 to the Town Conservation Fund.

23. To hear the recommendation of the Center Strafford Fire Dept. for the purchase of two self-contained breathing apparatus units and see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$800.00 for same.

24. To see if the Town will grant 2% discount on taxes paid within thirty-five days of mailing of tax bills.

25. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

26. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

VICTOR S. BERGSTROM
JOHN B. YOUNG
ALBERT W. LEIGHTON

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

VICTOR S. BERGSTROM
JOHN B. YOUNG
ALBERT W. LEIGHTON

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF STRAFFORD, N.H.

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue
for the Ensuing Year January 1, 1971 to December 31, 1971
Compared with

Estimated and Actual Revenue, Appropriations and Expenditures
of the Previous Year January 1, 1970 to December 31, 1970

SOURCES OF REVENUE

	Estimated Revenue Previous Year 1970	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1970	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1971
From State:			
Interest and Dividends Tax	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 1,917.34	\$ 2,000.00
Savings Bank Tax	400.00	522.58	525.00
Meals and Rooms Tax	2,400.00	3,847.12	4,000.00
Reimbursement a/c State			
Town Poor		308.02	
For Fighting Forest Fires	20.00	150.36	100.00
Class V Maint.	2,070.51	2,070.51	2,059.16
Reimbursement a/c Old Age			
Assistance, Fr. Yeaton		1,083.38	200.00
From Local Sources except Taxes:			
Dog Licenses	400.00	457.50	450.00
Business Licenses,			
Permits and Filing Fees	40.00	172.00	200.00
Interest Received on			
Taxes and Deposits	150.00	232.73	200.00
Sesquicentennial	2,500.00		
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	10,600.00	11,666.45	12,000.00
Sale of Town Property		75.00	
Withdrawals from			
Capital Reserve Funds		6,000.00	
Reimbursements a/c 6% Business			
Profits Tax (Town Portion Only)		1,522.92	1,675.00
From Local Taxes Other Than			
Property Taxes:			
(a) Poll Taxes—Regular @ \$2	600.00	672.00	700.00
(b) Natl. Bank Stock Taxes	150.00	167.25	167.25
(c) Yield Taxes	500.00	53.04	100.00
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TOTAL REVENUES FROM			
ALL SOURCES EXCEPT			
PROPERTY TAXES	\$ 22,830.51	\$ 28,772.69	\$ 24,376.41
*AMT. TO BE RAISED			
BY PROP. TAXES	\$191,654.29		\$229,361.14

*Total estimated "Revenues from All Sources except Property Taxes" deducted from Total Estimated "Appropriations" should give estimated "Amount to be raised by Property Taxes."

APPROPRIATIONS

	Appropriations Previous Year 1970	Actual Expenditures Previous Year 1970	Estimated Appropriations Ensuing Year 1971
General Government:			
Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 3,600.00	\$ 3,271.66	\$ 3,500.00
Town Officers' Expenses	2,000.00	1,637.56	2,000.00
Election and Registration Expenses	500.00	706.00	700.00
Auto Permits	900.00	968.20	1,000.00
Expenses Town Hall and Other Town Bldgs.	700.00	232.07	700.00
Payment to Rice's Inc., Refunded		152.78	
Employees' Retirement and Social Security	500.00	424.08	500.00
Bow Lake Fire Dept.	500.00	500.00	800.00
Protection of Persons and Property:			
Fire Hose Approp.	600.00	575.00	
Police Department	500.00	1,324.66	1,500.00
Fire Department	1,500.00	1,877.96	2,000.00
Moth Exterm.—			
Blister Rust & Care of Trees	200.00	200.00	200.00
Crown Point Fire House			300.00
Insurance	500.00	2,074.10	1,500.00
Planning and Zoning		287.00	300.00
Dog Licenses	70.00	51.90	100.00
Legal Expenses	50.00		100.00
Civil Defense		129.36	100.00
Health:			
Center Barnstead,			
Ambulance Service	1,136.00	1,136.00	1,300.00
Vital Statistics	25.00	40.00	50.00
Sewer Maintenance,			
District Health Council	881.00	881.00	943.00
Town Dump	2,500.00	2,541.60	2,800.00

Highways and Bridges:			
Class V Maint.	2,070.51	2,070.51	2,059.16
Town Maintenance—Summer	11,000.00	17,282.97	16,000.00
Town Maintenance—Winter	11,000.00	10,062.73	11,000.00
Street Lighting	750.00	635.25	700.00
General Expenses of Highway Department	4,000.00	5,469.35	4,000.00
Town Road Aid	1,240.97	1,240.97	1,231.46
Libraries	700.00	700.00	1,000.00
Library Building Committee			3,000.00
Public Welfare:			
Town Poor	100.00	522.17	3,000.00
Old Age Assistance	1,000.00	1,082.54	1,500.00
Overseer of Poor			50.00
Patriotic Purposes:			
Sesquicentennial Approp.	2,500.00	690.00	
Memorial Day and Veterans' Associations	100.00	100.00	100.00
Recreation:			
Bow Lake Beach Approp.	300.00	101.00	100.00
Public Service Enterprises:			
Conservation Commission	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Advertising and Regional Assocs.	125.00	125.00	125.00
Interest:			
On Temporary Loans	850.00	1,233.75	1,300.00
Outlay for New Construction and Permanent Improvement:			
State Aid Construction—Town's Share. (Hwys.)	9,000.00	9,000.00	12,500.00
Construction, Water St. Reserve Fund	1,500.00		1,500.00
County Tax	17,000.00	18,630.49	22,000.00
School Tax	133,785.32	118,558.62	154,178.93
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS			\$256,737.55

SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION

Land, improved and unimproved	\$2,060,500.00
Buildings	4,476,250.00
Public Utilities — Electric	279,200.00
Boats and Launches (53)	24,975.00
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Total Valuation before Exemptions Allowed	\$6,840,925.00
Elderly Exemptions (26)	\$ 89,700.00
School Dining Room, Dormitory and Kitchen Exemptions	150,000.00
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Total Exemptions Allowed	239,700.00
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Net Valuation on which Tax Rate is computed	\$6,601,225.00

WAR SERVICE TAX CREDITS

Totally and permanently disabled veterans, their spouses or widows, and the widows of veterans who died or were killed on active duty			1	\$ 600.00
All other qualified persons			51	2,550.00
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Total Number and Amount			52	\$ 3,150.00
Public Service Co., Electric				\$270,500.00
N.H. Electric Coop., Inc.				8,700.00
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Total				\$279,200.00
Number of Inventories distributed, 1970				920
Date 1970 Inventories were mailed				March 17, 1971
Number of Inventories returned in 1970				570

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND TAXES ASSESSED

Total Town Appropriations	\$ 65,048.48
Less: Estimated Revenues and Credits:	
Interest and Dividends Tax	\$ 2,021.26
Savings Bank Tax	522.58
Meals and Rooms Tax	3,772.00
Reimbursement a/c Property Exempted	
1970 Special Session	1,523.00
Reimbursement a/c State and	
Forest Fires	150.36
Revenue from Yield Tax Sources	480.00
Business Licenses,	
Permits and Filing Fees	125.00
Dog Licenses	431.50
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	10,505.92
Sale of Tax Deeded Property	75.00
Reimb. Soc. Sec. (Yeaton)	933.58
National Bank Stock Taxes	167.25
Poll Taxes at \$2.00 (1970 Warrant)	894.00
Surplus	1,000.00
Class V Maintenance Aid	2,070.51
Total Revenues and Credits	\$ 24,671.96
Net Town Appropriations	\$ 40,376.52
Net School Appropriations	133,539.32
County Tax Assessment	18,630.49
Total of Town, School and County	\$192,546.33
Add: War Service Tax Credits	3,150.00
Add: Overlay	2,340.42
Property Taxes to be raised	\$198,036.75
Taxes to be Committed to Collector	
Gross Property Taxes	\$198,036.75
Less: War Serv. Tax Cr.	3,150.00
Net Property Taxes	\$194,886.75

Add: 1970 Poll Taxes at \$2.00	894.00
Add: National Bank Stock Taxes	167.25
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TOTAL TAX COMMITMENT	\$195,948.00

FINANCIAL REPORT
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1970

Certificate

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.

VICTOR S. BERGSTROM
ALBERT W. LEIGHTON
JOHN B. YOUNG
Selectmen

February 8, 1971

PHYLLIS F. LYNBOURG
Treasurer

ASSETS

Cash:

In hands of Treasurer	\$ 49,465.99
In hands of officials, Bank Book #72650	1.00

Capital Reserve Funds:

Special Highway and Fire Acct.	4,486.56
Bank Book #595	
Class II Highway Acct.	1,851.16
Bank Book #N596	

Unredeemed Taxes:

Levy of 1969	1,656.77
Levy of 1968	295.38
Previous Years	513.20

Uncollected Taxes:

Levy of 1970	24,140.80
Levy of 1969	274.50
State Head Taxes, Levy of 1970	740.00
State Head Taxes, Previous Years	215.00

Total Assets	\$ 83,640.36
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Net Surplus, December 31, 1969	\$ 9,596.28
Net Surplus, December 31, 1970	3,771.86

Decrease of Surplus	\$ 5,824.42
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LIABILITIES

Accounts owed by the Town:

Capital Reserve Fund (Water St.)	\$ 1,500.00
Appropriation for wall along Water St.	1,264.65
Due Strafford School District	70,539.32
Civil Defense	226.81

Capital Reserve Funds:

Bank Book #N595	4,486.56
Bank Book #N596	1,851.16

Total Liabilities	\$ 79,868.50
Excess of assets over liabilities (Surplus)	3,771.86

Grand Total	\$ 83,640.36
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UNIFORM CLASSIFICATION

RECEIPTS

Current Revenue:

From Local Taxes:

Property Taxes,	
Current Year, 1970	\$167,949.66
Poll Taxes, Current Year, 1970	672.00
National Bank Stock Taxes, 1970	167.25
Yield Taxes, 1970	53.04
State Head Taxes at \$5, 1970	1,935.00

Total Current Year's Taxes	
collected and remitted	\$170,776.95
Property Taxes and Yield Taxes,	
Previous Years	12,520.64
Poll Taxes, Previous Years	194.00
State Head Taxes at \$5, Previous Years	560.00
Interest received on Taxes	232.73
Penalties on State Head Taxes	55.00
Tax Sales redeemed	2,970.66

From State:

For Class V Highway maintenance	2,070.51
Interest and dividends tax	1,917.34
Savings Bank Tax	522.58
Fighting forest fires	150.36
Reimbursement a/c Old Age Assistance	1,083.38
Meals and Rooms Tax	3,847.12
Reimbursement a/c 6% Business Profits Tax	1,522.92

From Local Sources, except Taxes:

Dog Licenses	457.50
Business licenses, permits and filing fees	172.00
Reimbursement for Town Poor	308.02
Motor Vehicle Permits (1969, \$191.64)	
(1970, \$11,280.92) (1971, \$193.89)	11,666.45

Total Current Revenue Receipts	\$211,028.16
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Receipts other than Current Revenue:

Temporary loans in anticipation of taxes during year	\$ 70,000.00
Abatements, 1970 Taxes	734.55
Refunds	443.07
Taxes Bought by Town	3,818.58
Withdrawals from Capital Reserve Funds	21,000.00
Sale of Town Property	75.00
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Total Receipts other than Current Revenue	96,071.20
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Total Receipts from All Sources	\$307,099.36
Cash on hand, January 1, 1970	47,458.07
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Grand Total	\$354,557.43

UNIFORM CLASSIFICATION

PAYMENTS

Current Maintenance Expenses:

General Government:

Town officers' salaries	\$ 3,271.66
Town officers' expenses	1,637.56
Election and registration expenses	706.00
Municipal and District Court expenses	968.20
Expenses town hall and other town bldgs.	232.07

Protection of Persons and Property:

Police department	1,324.66
Bow Lake Beach	101.00
Fire department, including forest fires	1,877.96
Blister Rust and Care of Trees	200.00
Planning and Zoning	287.00
Damage by dogs	51.90
Insurance	2,074.10
Civil Defense	129.36
Bow Lake Fire Dept.	500.00

Health:

Vital statistics	40.00.
Barnstead Ambulance Service	1,136.00
Town dumps and garbage removal	2,541.60

Highways and Bridges:

Town Road Aid	1,240.97
Town Maintenance (Summer, \$17,282.97) (Winter, \$10,062.73)	27,345.70
Street lighting	635.25
General Expenses of Highway Dept.	5,469.35
Class V Maintenance	2,070.51

Libraries

700.00

Public Welfare:

Old Age Assistance	1,082.54
Town poor	522.17
District Health Council	881.00

Patriotic Purposes:

Memorial Day, Veteran's Associations and Old Home Day	100.00
Property Bought by Town	85.00

Unclassified:

Payment to Rice's, Inc., refunded	152.78
Sesquicentennial celebration	690.00
Advertising and Regional Associations	125.00
Taxes bought by town	3,818.58
Discounts, Abatements and Refunds	1,428.05
Employees' Retirement and Social Security	424.08

Interest:

Paid on tax anticipation loans	1,233.75
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**Outlay for New Construction,
Equipment and Perm. Improvements:**

Highways and Bridges, State Aid construction	30,000.00
Special Fire Hose Appropriation	575.00

Indebtedness:

Payments on Tax Anticipation Loans	70,000.00
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Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:

State Head Taxes paid State Treas.	1,121.50
Payments to State a/c Yield Tax Debt Retirement	121.83
Taxes paid to County	18,630.49
Strafford Conservation Comm.	1,000.00
Payments to School Districts	118,558.62

Total Payments for All Purposes	\$305,091.44
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Cash on hand, December 31, 1970	49,465.99
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Grand Total	\$354,557.43
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SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town Hall, Lands and Buildings	\$ 10,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	2,000.00
Libraries, Furniture and Equipment	750.00
Fire Department, Lands and Buildings	9,000.00
Equipment	4,000.00
Highway, Equipment: sander, small tools, roller	400.00
Schools, Lands and Buildings	160,000.00
Equipment	15,000.00
All Lands and Buildings acquired through Tax Collector's deeds:	
3 acres, Joseph Caverly Lot, dump	200.00
No. Strafford School House Lot	75.00
10 acres, Paradise Wood Lot	100.00
½ acre, E. Dudley Land	100.00
½ acre, E. Wilkinson Land	200.00
1 acre, Geo. Walker Place	1,500.00
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Total	\$203,325.00

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

Town Officers' Salaries

Oscar B. Pratt, Selectman	\$ 140.00
Victor S. Bergstrom, Selectman	596.66
John B. Young, Selectman	610.00
Albert W. Leighton, Selectman	500.00
Oscar B. Pratt, Trustee of Trust Funds	50.00
Donald R. Poppema, Auditor	35.00
Roger S. Leighton, Auditor	35.00
Phyllis F. Lynbourg, Treasurer and Town Clerk	575.00
James F. Stiles, Tax Collector	730.00
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Total	\$ 3,271.66

Town Office Expense

Oscar B. Pratt	\$ 10.00
George Findell	15.00
John B. Young	2.00
State Tax Commission	7.25
James F. Stiles	22.93
Phyllis F. Lynbourg	23.60
Meador's	49.60
Brown & Saltmarsh	58.09
Association of N.H. Assessors	5.00
N.H. Municipal Association	50.83
Bow Lake Post Office	66.20
Marjorie Holmes, Prop. Trans. Cards	124.00
Ridings Press	660.50
Post Office, Wm. Lynbourg	170.46
Insurance, Foss-Came	194.00
Fifield Printing	22.00
State of New Hampshire, boat tax	26.50
Edward Quimby, typewriter	85.00
N.H. Assoc. of Town Clerks	6.00
N.H. Assoc. of Tax Collectors	5.00
Addressograph	8.60
Equity Publishing Co.	25.00
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Total	\$ 1,637.56

Election and Registration

Leonard C. Hardwick	\$ 75.00
Willis G. Bennett	144.00
Arthur S. Harding	63.00
Frieda J. Harding	135.00
Hattie Foss	63.00
Esther R. Henderson	136.00
Justine Leighton	58.00
Fifield Printing	32.00
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Total	\$ 706.00

Other Payments

Phyllis F. Lynbourg, Autos	\$ 968.20
Town Office, Telephone	232.07
Edgar E. Burrows, Police	476.07
Harold F. Irving, Police	219.30
Carl S. Brown, Police	509.60
Police Uniform, Badges, Supplies	119.69
Fire including Forest Fire	1,877.96
Pine Blister Rust Program	200.00
Strafford Sesquicentennial Comm.	690.00
Insurance and Workmen's Compensation, C. Varney	2,074.10
Vital Statistics	40.00
Center Barnstead Ambulance Service	1,136.00
Town Dump	2,541.60
Highways (Summer)	17,282.97
Highways (Winter)	10,062.73
Highways (General Expense)	5,469.35
Town Road Aid. Class V	1,240.97
Province Road, Class II	30,000.00
Maintenance of Class V	2,070.51
Street Lighting	635.25
Library	700.00
Old Age Assistance	1,082.54
Town Poor	522.17
Rural District Health Council	881.00
Memorial Day Observance	100.00
Bow Lake Fire Dept.	500.00

Bow Lake Beach	101.00
Expense of Dog Taxes	51.90
Lakes Region Association	125.00
Taxes Bought by Town	3,818.58
Discount and Abatements	1,428.05
Social Security	424.08
Head Tax	1,121.50
Temporary Loans	1,233.75
County Tax	18,630.49
Bill paid to Rice's, Inc., refunded by Clark Thorne	152.78
1970 Special Fire Hose Approp.	575.00
Strafford School District	118,558.62
Bond and Debt, Yield Tax	121.83
Conservation Commission	1,000.00
Temporary Loan, First National Bank, Rochester, N.H.	70,000.00
Expenses of Planning Board	287.00
Condemned Property (Dudley Place)	85.00
Civil Defense	129.36

Total	\$299,476.02
Total Payment, All Categories	\$305,091.44

1969-1970 School Account

School Appropriation	\$133,539.32
Payments to December 31, 1970	63,000.00

Balance Due Schools	\$ 70,539.32
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Class II Highway Account

Balance, December 31, 1969	\$ 16,268.56
Jan., 1970, Transferred from Capital Reserve	6,000.00

	\$ 21,268.56
Interest to December 31, 1970	582.60

	\$ 22,851.16
Withdrawn for Payment to State	21,000.00

Balance, January 1, 1971	\$ 1,851.16
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Capital Reserve Fund

1966 Appropriation	\$ 3,000.00
1967 Appropriation	3,000.00
1968 Appropriation	3,000.00
Interest to Date	1,268.56
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Total	\$ 10,268.56
Transferred to Class II Highway Acct.	6,000.00
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Balance	\$ 4,268.56
1970 Interest	218.36
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Balance, January 1, 1971	\$ 4,486.92

Highway Account

Gerald E. Thorne	
Total labor, hired and machines:	
Summer	\$ 17,282.97
Winter	10,062.73
Class V Maintenance	2,070.51
General Expenses:	
Granite State Minerals	\$ 433.25
Palmer Bituminous	330.40
Merrimack Farmers	193.78
William J. Vickers & Son	404.01
Radford Messenger	198.00
Penn Culvert	1,377.83
N.H. Explosives	100.52
H. Scribner	40.00
Sanel Auto Parts	37.60
Iofolla Construction Co.	1,691.96
Desmarais Mower Service	74.00
Beede Waste Oil	524.00
K. O. K. Regnell	15.00
R. C. Hazelton Co.	49.00
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Total, General Expense	\$ 5,469.35
Summer	\$ 17,282.97
Winter	10,062.03
General	5,469.35
Class V Maintenance	2,070.51
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	\$ 34,884.86

Recapitulation

1970 Appropriation for Highway	\$ 26,000.00
State of N.H., Class V Fund	2,070.51
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Total Appropriation	\$ 28,070.51
Total Payments	34,884.86
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Overexpended	\$ 6,814.35

Recapitulation of Dump Account

William Nelson	\$ 1,836.00
Clark Thorne	680.60
Daniel Towle	25.00
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Total	\$ 2,541.60

Recapitulation of Summer, Winter and Class V Highway Account

Rad Messenger, machine	\$ 4,996.60
Rad Messenger, labor	298.00
Allan Knight, labor	28.00
Harold Irving, labor	106.00
Harold Stiles, machine	248.50
Bunnelle Garage, machine	60.00
Alberton Berry, machine	100.10
Gerald Thorne, machine	6,655.50
Gerald Thorne, labor	372.00
Lester Rowell, labor	133.00
Albert Leighton, labor	87.00
Clark Thorne, machine	8,547.87
Clark Thorne, labor	354.00
Phillip Dame, machine	380.50
Herbert Scribner, machine	797.70
Herbert Scribner, labor	17.00
Frank Fernald, material	144.95
Roger LaPanne, machine	89.25
Albert Brown, material	13.50
Mike Conroy, labor	500.00
Rene LaPanne, labor	343.00
Mark LaPanne, labor	58.00
George Chadwick, machine	236.50

Pat Conroy, labor	80.00
Myra Bartlett, machine	56.00
Roger Clark, labor	177.00
Dan Cutter, labor	56.00
Palmer Bituminous, material	57.00
Vicker & Son, material	48.30
Iofolla Construction, material	605.50
N.H. Bituminous	1,288.08
Murray Tasker	1,904.00
R. C. Hazelton, cutting edges	163.36
Paul Hussey	136.00
Clark Thorne, gravel	134.40
Thorne Const. Co.	143.60
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Total	\$ 29,416.21

TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT
For the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1970

Receipts

Balance, January 1, 1970	\$ 47,458.07
Receipts, 1970	307,099.36
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	\$354,557.43

Expenditures

Expenditures, 1970	\$305,091.44
Balance, December 31, 1970	49,465.99
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	\$354,557.43

Rochester Savings Bank and Trust Company:

Bank Book No. 72650	\$	1.00
Bank Book No. N595 (Capital Reserve Fund)		
Balance, January 1, 1970	\$ 10,268.56	
Withdrawal, Art. 5, 1969 Town Meeting	6,000.00	
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	\$ 4,268.56	
Interest, 1970	218.36	
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	\$	4,486.92

Bank Book No. N596 (Class II Highway Acct.)

Balance, January 1, 1970	\$ 16,268.56
Deposit, Art. 5, 1969 Town Meeting	6,000.00
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\$ 22,268.56

Withdrawal, Class II Highway,

Province Road	21,000.00
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\$ 1,268.56

Interest, 1970	582.60
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Balance, December 31, 1970	\$ 1,851.16
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PHYLLIS F. LYNBURG
Town Treasurer

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT
For the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1970

Receipts:

1969 Auto Permits:

Ser. Nos. 020419-020441 \$ 191.64

1970 Auto Permits:

Ser. Nos. 460021-460800
 538401-538521 11,280.92

1971 Auto Permits:

Ser. Nos. 536801-536812 193.89

Total Auto Permits	\$ 11,666.45
Dog and Kennel Licenses	457.50
Filing Fees	15.00

Total Receipts	\$ 12,138.95
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Remittances to Town Treasurer:

Auto Permits	\$ 11,666.45
Dog and Kennel Licenses	457.50
Filing Fees	15.00

Total Remittances	\$ 12,138.95
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PHYLLIS F. LYNBURG
Town Clerk

TOWN MEETING — MARCH 10, 1970

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Strafford in the County of Strafford in said State, the following action was taken on the Town Warrant on Tuesday, the 10th day of March 1970.

The meeting at the Strafford Elementary School in Strafford was called to order by the Moderator, Judge Leonard C. Hardwick at 10:00 A.M. The polls were declared open for voting on Articles 1 and 16 from 10:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. Articles 2-33 to be voted on at 8:00 P.M.

ARTICLE 1. The following officers were elected and took the oath of office before Moderator, Judge Leonard C. Hardwick.

Number of eligible voters on check list: 553
Number of votes cast: 281

		Votes
Selectman for 3 years	Albert W. Leighton	138
Town Clerk for 1 year	Phyllis F. Lynbourg	272
Town Treasurer for 1 year	Phyllis F. Lynbourg	271
Town Tax Collector for 1 year	James F. Stiles	216
Town Auditor for 2 years	Donald Poppema	34
Town Trustee of Trust Funds for 3 years	Oscar B. Pratt	242
Town Library Trustee for 3 years	Ellen E. Stiles	255
Town Road Agent for 1 year	Gerald E. Thorne	116
The following candidates were not elected:		
Selectman for 3 years	Ralph A. Fournier	13
Selectman for 3 years	Lester E. Huckins	57
Selectman for 3 years	Oscar B. Pratt	59
Town Tax Collector for 1 year	Helen A. Sims	62
Town Road Agent for 1 year	Philip L. Dame	63
Town Road Agent for 1 year	Radford L. Messenger	101

ARTICLE 2. Motion by John B. Young that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$29,696.00 to defray Town charges for the ensuing year. Seconded by Oscar Pratt. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 3. Motion by John Young that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 for Public Welfare, including Old Age Assistance. Seconded by Oscar Pratt. Motion rescinded.

Motion to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,100.00 for Public Welfare, including Old Age Assistance. Seconded by Oscar Pratt. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 4. Motion by John Young that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$9,000.00 for Class II highway construction on Province Road, North side of Bow Lake. Seconded by Herbert Scribner. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 5. Oscar Pratt moved that the Town accept the Town Road Aid and raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,240.97 to which the State will contribute \$8,273.11. Seconded by John Young. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 6. Motion by John Young that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$26,000.00 for Highways and Bridges. Seconded by Oscar Pratt. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 7. Lester Huckins moved Article 7 be indefinitely postponed. Seconded by John Bozak. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 8. Roger Leighton moved the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for White Pine Blister Rust control program. Seconded by Herbert Scribner. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 9. Victor Bergstrom moved the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$125.00 for the Lakes Region Association. Seconded by Wesley French. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 10. Motion by John Young that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 for observance of Memorial Day. Seconded by Victor Bergstrom. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 11. Motion by Barbara Whitcher that the

Town raise and appropriate \$300.00 for maintaining and improving present swimming facilities near Bow Lake Dam. Seconded by Victor Bergstrom. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 12. Motion by Spencer Smith that the Town raise and appropriate \$500.00 for maintenance of Bow Lake Fire Dept. Seconded by Roger Leighton. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 13. Motion by Albert Leighton that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$700.00 for operating the Town Library. Seconded by Justine Leighton. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 14. Motion by John Young that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500.00 for control and operation of the Town Dump. Seconded by George Holt. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 15. Albert Leighton moved Article 15 be indefinitely postponed. Seconded by Herbert Scribner. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 16. It was voted by ballot to elect the Town Clerk, Town Treasurer and Tax Collector for a three-year term, beginning with the term of office to be elected at next year's regular town meeting.

Vote:

Town Clerk —	Yes 176 — No 72
Town Treasurer —	Yes 174 — No 79
Tax Collector —	Yes 159 — No 91

ARTICLE 17. Lester Huckins moved the Town adopt Article 17 to amend #10 article of the 1968 Town Report of the increase of Highway labor to \$2.00 per hour to include the labor at the Town Dump, Police Work, Health Officer, Election Ballot Clerks and Check List Workers. Seconded by George Holt. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 18. Victor Bergstrom moved the Town adopt Article 18 to exclude Social Security Coverage for services in any class or classes of positions of election officials or election workers for a calendar quarter in which the

remuneration paid for such service is less than \$50.00. R.S.A. 1969 Chapter 101. Seconded by George Holt. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 19. John Bozak moved the Town adopt Article 19 and raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 to the Town Conservation Fund. Seconded by Roger Leighton. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 20. Linda Connelly moved the Town accept a sum of \$10,000.00 from Bernice Hill for a proposed Library Building and to accept other donations and land. Seconded by Justine Leighton. Motion rescinded.

Justine Leighton moved the moderator appoint a building committee, number discretion of moderator. Seconded by Barbara Whitcher. Motion rescinded.

Linda Connelly moved the moderator appoint a Library Building Committee to investigate and confer with Miss Hill and report back at next year's annual Town Meeting. Seconded and vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 21. Charles Fistere moved to adopt Article 21, for the Town to turn over to the Conservation Commission the McCabe Property near Mt. Evans for conservation purposes. R.S.A. 31:18. Seconded by Wesley Martin. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 22. Carolyn Young read the report of the Rural District Health Council. Carolyn Young moved the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$881.00 in support of the Rural District Health Council. Seconded by Madaleen Leighton. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 23. Motion by George Holt that the Town raise and appropriate, as a donation to the Center Barnstead Fire Dept., a sum of \$1,136.00 for providing Ambulance Service to the Town of Strafford. Seconded by Elizabeth Traver. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 24. Motion by John Young that the Town raise and appropriate \$4,000.00 to create a Capital Reserve Fund for improving Water St. and docking facilities at Bow Lake. Seconded.

Amendment — Lester Huckins moved the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,500.00 to create a Capital Reserve Fund for improving Water St. Seconded by Louella Baldwin. Vote in the affirmative.

Motion the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,500.00 to create a Capital Reserve Fund for improving Water St. Seconded and vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 25. Report by Barbara Whitcher. Lester Huckins moved the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00, in addition to the \$264.65 Bow Lake Beach balance appropriation, for the construction of 100 feet of docking wall on Water St. and the Selectmen be authorized to petition the State to establish public launching facilities on Bow Lake. Seconded and vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 26. Loran Pierce moved the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$600.00 to replace the defective Fire Hose. Seconded by Victor Bergstrom. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 27. James Stiles moved the Town raise and appropriate money for a typewriter for the use of the Tax Collector. Seconded by Pearl Pratt.

Amendment — Linda Connelly moved to raise and appropriate not more than \$100.00 for a typewriter for use of the Tax Collector. Seconded and vote in the affirmative.

Motion the Town raise and appropriate not more than \$100.00 for a typewriter for the use of the Tax Collector. Seconded and vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 28. Report of the Sesquicentennial Committee read. Motion by David Dupee to adopt the recommendations of the committee and adopt the following design for a Strafford Town Flag prepared by the Strafford Sesquicentennial Committee. Seconded by David Whitcher. Vote in the affirmative.

Motion by John Young to advance the committee \$2,500.00 for Coin Dies, Purchases of Coins, Printing of History Book of Town and other expenses. Profits to be returned to the Town Treasury. Seconded by Victor Bergstrom. Vote in the affirmative.

FLAG DESIGN

The Strafford flag shall be of a pale yellow with a blue field, the field bi-sected by red and white stripes. The lower right portion of the field contains a yellow royal crown, the upper left an over-shot water-wheel. A circle in the center of the flag encloses a low mountain profile, increasing in height from left to right in green. At the base of the mountain is a lake in blue. The rim of the circle is yellow with the words from left to right: Settled 1732, Bow Lake, Center Strafford, Crown Point, inc. 1820. Below the circle, almost spanning the flag, is a yellow banner with the Legend: Strafford, N.H. The left hand tag carries the date 1732, the right hand tag the date 1820.

Meaning:

I Colors —

- a. Pale Yellow — denotes colonial background of town.
- b. Green — stands for the importance of the forest throughout the town's history.
- c. Blue — stands for water power and water in the town's life.
- d. Yellow — from the Strafford coat-of-arms, the family which gave the town its name.
- e. Red & White — combined with the blue stands for the soldiers, sailors and marines of Strafford who have fought in all our nation's wars.

II Symbols —

- a. The mountain — stands for Parker Mountain, the major prominence of the Blue Hills which is the principal landmark of the town — stretching almost $\frac{3}{4}$ of the town's width from the Barnstead Road to the Farmington border.
- b. The over-shot water-wheel — symbolizes the Center Strafford portion of the town, which today has the last remaining water-wheel in town.
- c. The crown — stands for the Crown Point section of the town, settled when New Hampshire was a Royal Province.
- d. The lake — represents the Bow Lake section of the town, scene of early water power activity in the town's history, and a major town landmark.

III Dates —

- a. 1732 — The year the town was settled.
- b. 1820 — The year the town was incorporated.

ARTICLE 29. John Connelly moved to adopt Article 29. Amended by Howard Ambrose, that the women wear dresses not over three inches above the ground. Motion and amendment seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 30. David Whitcher moved the Town authorize the Selectmen to appoint a Building Inspector at a salary of \$100.00 per year and charge a fee for his services at the rate of \$1.00 per Thousand Dollars of Value on improvements, additions and new construction. Seconded by Inez Whitcher. Vote in the negative.

ARTICLE 31. Motion by Roger Leighton that the Town grant a 2% discount on taxes paid within thirty-five days of mailing of Tax Bills. Seconded by Ralph Fournier. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 32. Motion by John Young that the Town authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes. Seconded by Oscar Pratt. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 33. Motion to adjourn. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

Library Building Committee appointed under Article 20:

Mrs. Ellen Stiles	Mrs. Marjorie Foss
Mr. Davis Clarke	Mrs. Lois Fistere
Mrs. Linda Connelly	Mr. Burnham Varney

A true record: Attest—

PHYLLIS F. LYNBOURG,
Town Clerk

A true copy of record: Attest —

PHYLLIS F. LYNBOURG,
Town Clerk

**Current Year's Levy
Property, Poll & Yield Taxes
Levy of 1970**

— DR. —

Taxes committed to Collector:

Property Taxes	\$195,072.35
Poll Taxes	894.00
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	\$195,966.35

Yield Taxes	576.89
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Added Taxes:

Property Taxes	\$ 27.50
Poll Taxes	58.00
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	85.50

Interest Collected	18.63
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Total	<hr/> \$196,647.37
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— CR. —

Remittances to Treasurer:

Property Taxes	\$167,949.66
Poll Taxes	672.00
Yield Taxes	53.04
Interest Collected	18.63
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	\$168,693.33

Discount Allowed	2,979.99
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Abatements:

Property Taxes	\$ 833.25
Poll Taxes	0.00
Yield Taxes	0.00
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	833.25

Uncollected Taxes—

As per Collector's list:

Property Taxes	\$ 23,336.95
Poll Taxes	280.00
Yield Taxes	523.85
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	24,140.80

Total Credits	<hr/> \$196,647.37
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Previous Year's Levy
SUMMARY OF WARRANT
Property, Poll and Yield Taxes
Levy of 1969

— DR. —

Uncollected Taxes — As of January 1, 1970	
Property Taxes	\$ 16,044.42
Added Taxes	190.00
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	\$ 16,234.42
Poll Taxes	208.00
Yield Taxes	0.00
Added Poll Taxes	60.00
Interest collected during fiscal year ended Dec. 31, 1970	359.43
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	627.43
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Total Debits	\$ 16,861.85

— CR. —

Remittances to Treasurer during Fiscal Year ended December 31, 1970:	
Property Taxes	\$ 12,409.67
Sold to Town	3,673.25
Poll Taxes	190.00
Interest collected during year	359.43
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	\$ 16,632.35
Abatements made during year:	
Property Taxes	\$ 0.00
Deeded to Town	55.00
Poll Taxes	0.00
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	55.00
Uncollected Taxes — As per Collector's list:	
Poll Taxes	\$ 78.00
Property Taxes	96.50
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	174.50
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Total Credits	\$ 16,861.85

**Current Year's Levy
SUMMARY OF WARRANT
State Head Tax
Levy of 1970**

— DR. —

State Head Taxes Committed to Collector:

Original Warrant	\$ 2,540.00	
Added Taxes	135.00	
Total Commitment		\$ 2,675.00
Penalties Collected		7.50
Total Debits		\$ 2,682.50

— CR. —

Remittances to Treasurer:

Head Taxes	\$ 1,935.00	
Penalties	7.50	
		\$ 1,942.50
Abatements	\$ 0.00	
Uncollected Head Taxes — As per Collector's list	740.00	
		740.00
Total Credits		\$ 2,682.50

**For Previous Year's Levy
SUMMARY OF WARRANT
State Head Tax
Levy of 1969**

— DR. —

Uncollected Taxes —

As of January 1, 1970	\$ 610.00	
Added Taxes during 1970	155.00	
Penalties Collected during 1970	47.50	
Total Debits		\$ 812.50

— CR. —			
Remittances to Treasurer during 1970:			
Head Taxes	\$	550.00	
Penalties		47.50	
			\$ 597.50
Abatements during 1970	\$	0.00	
Uncollected Head Taxes — as per Collector's list		215.00	
			215.00
Total Credits	\$		812.50

SUMMARY OF TAX SALES ACCOUNTS As of December 31, 1970

Levy of	1969	1968	1967	Previous Years
— DR. —				
a. Taxes sold to town during current fiscal year	\$ 147.27 3,671.31			
b. Balance of Unredeemed Taxes January 1, 1970		\$678.54	\$445.16	\$340.64
Interest collected after sale	53.37	26.13	16.40	24.79
Redemption costs	16.20	6.48	4.86	4.86
Total Debits	\$3,888.15	\$711.15	\$466.42	\$370.29
— CR. —				
Remittances to Treasurer during Current year	\$2,231.38	\$415.77	\$138.42	\$185.09
Abatements during year	.....	.....	.....	.....
Deeded to town during year	.....	.....	.....	.....
Unredeemed Taxes — at close of year	1,656.77	295.38	328.00	185.20
Total Credits	\$3,888.15	\$711.15	\$466.42	\$370.29

LIBRARY REPORT

Library Hours — Austin Hall

Wed. — 6 P.M. to 8 P.M.

Sat. — 2 P.M. to 4 P.M.

Books owned by library, Jan. 1st, 1970	2,157
Books donated	107
Basic Reference Books — Grant-in-Aid from State of N.H. — \$100.00 deposited to acct. in Concord	18
Books purchased	103
Books discarded	48
Books owned by library, Jan. 1st, 1971	2,337
Books borrowed — Bookmobile	962
Books circulated	3,451

ELEANOR T. SMITH,
Librarian

REPORT OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES

On hand, January 1, 1970 \$ 479.64

Received:

Refund from State Treasurer \$ 2.08

Interest on bank book 10.28

Late book fees 22.00

Crown Point Grange toward
new library fund 10.00

Town of Strafford, appropriation 700.00

State of New Hampshire:

Grant-in-Aid for reference books 100.00

Total Received 844.36

\$ 1,324.00

Expenditures:

Eleanor Smith, Librarian \$ 398.60

New books 352.90

Tri-State Gas Co. 27.31

Insurance on books and equipment 29.75

Transfer to special account of		
Grange gift	10.00	
Two new check books	5.00	
N.H. State Library to		
replace lost book	2.25	
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Total Expenditures		825.81
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On hand, December 31, 1970	\$	498.19

SPECIAL FUND
(On Deposit at Rochester Trust Co.)

On hand, January 1, 1970	\$	2,686.77
Deposited Grange gift	\$	10.00
Interest	125.97	
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Total received		135.97
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On hand, December 31, 1970	\$	2,822.74

CONSERVATION COMMISSION REPORT

Members of the Commission have made a careful study of town records for the purpose of definitely determining what roads have been closed subject to gates and bars, and which ones have been discontinued. Findings have been indicated by color code and notations on a map which may be seen at the Town Office. Roads subject to gates and bars serve as fire access roads and may be used for recreational activities such as snowmobiling, horseback riding, trail biking, etc. Discontinued roads are not for public use.

Our two Foresters have walked and marked the boundary lines of the McCabe property acquired last year. The house has been declared a hazard, due to advanced deterioration. Signs have been posted as a warning of danger to any who might be tempted to enter. As soon as possible the building will be razed and the cellar filled in.

A check for \$500.00 was received from the Spaulding Potter Charitable Trusts, (through the 50% matching funds program), and was added to the \$1,000.00 voted by the town. This is to be used for the acquisition of land for Open Space purposes.

Through a Spaulding-Potter grant for educational purposes we were enabled to provide subscriptions to an excellent magazine, "The New York Conservationist", for the Strafford School and the Strafford Library.

This grant also made possible the purchase of a projector and screen to be used for educational programs.

Poison ivy control has been continued with excellent results. Work has been concentrated in public cemeteries, near churches, Grange halls, village roadsides, swimming, recreational and parking areas.

We would like to give credit here to Camp Idlepines directors and girls for work which they performed as a community service. After the Bow Lake dam and surroundings were cleared of poison ivy they carried out a clean-up campaign in the area. They also painted the gatehouses, (valued as

historical landmarks), which had been shingled and repaired by local volunteers. Materials were provided by the Bow Lake Community Club. Our thanks to all of these.

Of greatest significance to the town is the contemplated acquisition by the Commission of a large tract of land which would be extremely valuable for a Town Forest and Wild Life Conservation Area. This will be further mentioned at the Town Meeting.

We are keenly aware of the many dangers which threaten our natural environment. We urge each individual to conscientiously do all in his power to add as little as possible to pollution of the world around us, (remembering that "pollution begins at home"), and beyond that, to work constructively and cooperatively to achieve the highest possible standards of quality for the Town of Strafford.

MARJORIE A. FOSS,
ROGER S. LEIGHTON,
NEVA L. STILES,
DONALD R. POPPEMA,
VICTOR S. BERGSTROM,
Town Conservation Commission

SESQUICENTENNIAL COMMITTEE REPORT

The SSC planned, organized, and conducted the events held during the week-long celebration of Strafford's 150th Anniversary, August 16-23.

Principal events included a tour of the town, art show, antique exhibit, 4-H sheep show, Class B horse show, youth field day, youth swim meet, auction, 3-day carnival, parade, and an Old Home Day Service.

The committee sponsored production of the first town flag, purchased uniforms for three Strafford policemen, erected a flag pole at the Strafford School, and completed its major obligation — the task of earning funds to publish "A History of Strafford" — the town's first history.

Commemorative coins, plates, bookends, and an anniversary program were produced and sold as a major source of income. These sales, coupled with advance history sales and profits from the anniversary events, financed the observance of the 150th anniversary at no cost to the taxpayers. There will, indeed, be substantial profit to the town when sale of the history is completed.

Members of the Strafford Sesquicentennial Standing Committee are: Albert Leighton, 1st vice chairman; John Bozak, 2nd vice chairman; Davis Clarke, secretary; John Young, treasurer; William Kerivan, director of utilities; Walter Weidman, director of activities; David Dupee, committeeman; and George Edmunds, chairman.

The members of the SSC wish to acknowledge assistance received from scores of citizens and summer residents, who worked long hours and sacrificed their free time in order to contribute to the success of the anniversary celebration. Particular thanks is directed to the young people of Strafford — without their help in every phase of the program, an enjoyable and profitable anniversary celebration would not have been possible.

Respectfully,

GEORGE A. EDMUNDS

Treasurer's Report

At the March 1970 Town Meeting it was voted to allow the Sesquicentennial Committee the sum of \$2,500.00 as capital to begin the town celebration with. One check of \$690.00 was drawn from the original \$2,500.00 for the striking of the commemorative coin. No other Town funds were used.

Receipts:

Commemorative coins	\$ 3,815.80	
Programs	864.00	
Art Show	28.00	
Carnival	1,148.46	
Dances	265.70	
Auction	962.94	
Donation	90.00	
Commemorative plates	366.00	
Center Strafford Christian Service and Ladie's Circles	177.94	
Miscellaneous	212.81	
Total		\$ 7,931.65
Total expenses		4,188.08
Total on hand in checking account		\$ 3,743.57
Town History Report:		
Histories sold to date	\$ 1,099.50	
Paid Keystone Press	1,100.00	
		\$.50

The above financial report of the Sesquicentennial remains incomplete due to the fact that the final cost of printing histories has not been received. More histories and Sesquicentennial plates remain to be sold. This report shows, however, that the Sesquicentennial Celebration was not only financially self-supporting, but will return a profit to the general treasury of the town.

REPORT OF THE FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND DISTRICT CHIEF

The fire season of 1970 was not a quiet one in this area, on the contrary, it was a very busy time with some towns reporting a greater number of fires than in past years. This record is not good.

Both state and towns are striving to meet this challenge. Results show that we are not doing enough, we must do more in the matter of fire prevention education, a more active inspection program and a more prompt, complete investigation of fires where definite cause is not known with court action where the need is indicated.

We must insist that minor children are given needed supervision, this is a parent's responsibility.

Your Warden and District Chief stand ready to help in this work.

Our gratitude to all who have helped in forest fire prevention and suppression this past year and we look forward to this continued help in our effort to improve our good prompt detection system and fast suppression action. This, coupled with a good prevention program, will improve our fire record.

Follow these simple suggestions to help:

Set a good example for others by observing fire permit laws and regulations; take your debris and waste to the town dump; keep matches away from children and be sure your smoking material is dead out when discarded.

Number of fires reported and acres burned —
1970 season:

State	484 fires — 244 acres
District	30 fires — 42 acres
Town	5 fires — 21 acres

IVAN E. SCRANTON,
District Fire Chief
SUMNER B. HAYES,
Forest Fire Warden

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

The Strafford Planning Board was reactivated by the Selectmen last March. This action was a follow-up to the creation, in September of 1969, of a group of interested citizens who were invited by the Selectmen to meet with them during the Fall months to discuss some of the planning needs of the Town and in what ways assistance could be provided to the Selectmen.

The Planning Board, as its first order of business, reviewed the land use and zoning ordinances of towns of similar size and closeness to center of population as Strafford.

A proposed zoning and land use ordinance for Strafford was proposed by the Board, two public hearings were held, and the proposed ordinance published in a local newspaper.

The ordinance was passed, 153 to 73, at a Special Town Meeting on September 8th, 1970.

The Board also drew up sub-division regulations and held an informational meeting on their proposal for interested townspeople. These sub-division regulations are now in force at the time of this printing.

Both the land-use and zoning ordinances, and the sub-division regulations are contained elsewhere in this Town report.

Respectfully submitted,

RAYMOND GRANT,
Chairman

RURAL DISTRICT HEALTH COUNCIL
January 1, 1970 - December 31, 1970

During the past year the Rural District Health Council has been providing visiting nurse service to the following seven towns: Northwood, Nottingham, Deerfield, Barrington, Strafford, Middleton, and New Durham. The nurses are building up a comprehensive health program including post-partum and newborn visits, immunization checks, family planning services and direct nursing services ordered by the physicians. We are hoping to expand our family planning services, to establish Child Health conferences and immunization clinics.

At present we have two part-time nurses and a part-time supervisor. Because of the geographical area and the travel involved covering the area, it is more feasible to employ the two part-time nurses rather than a full-time one. The administration and supervision of this program is contracted to the Portsmouth Rehabilitation Center in Portsmouth, N.H.

The following is a statistical report of the year January 1, 1970 through December 31, 1970: Total number of visits: 1,626.

Barrington —	328	Northwood —	233
Strafford —	124	Nottingham —	79
Middleton —	259	Deerfield —	339
New Durham —	264		

The breakdown by age groups is as follows:

0-4	5-20	21-44	45-64	65+
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163	58	147	481	777

The Rural Health Council is supported by the funds contributed by the towns at a rate of \$1.00 per capita, a state grant and fees for service.

Anyone interested in the program or needing the service is asked to contact the Portsmouth Rehabilitation Center, tel. 436-5716 or a representative of the Rural District Health Council in your town.

POLICE DEPARTMENT
January 1, 1969 to December 31, 1969

Expenses:

Uniforms	\$ 97.24
Operating Supplies	22.45
Wages	1,204.97
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Total	\$ 1,324.66
Accidents	9
Assisting other departments	1
Complaints investigated	57
Breaking and Entering	8
Larceny	8
Messages delivered	2
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Total	85

During the past few years the town has seen a steady growth in its number of year-round residents and a corresponding increase in dwellings, associated buildings, and real property. Recognizing that the town will continue to grow, and taking into consideration requests from the townspeople, the Selectmen took action to establish a small local Police Department to cooperate with the State Police and to respond to local problems and calls for assistance. I was appointed Chief by the Selectmen on May 2, 1970, the same time Carl Brown and Harold Irving received reappointments as Special Town Officers to give the town a three-man police force. To supplement this small force the following men were appointed as Auxiliary Policemen: William Porter, Win Hayes, Al Berry, Steve Leighton, Dick Allard, Bill Rainey, Irving Bickford, and Lauren Pierce.

This first Annual Report shows that the bulk of our responses during the past year were concerned with answering and investigating complaints followed by accidents, breaking and entering, and larceny. Our non-responsive duties included traffic control for the Memorial Day Parade, the fireworks display at Bow Lake, and routine patrol including vacant home and cottage checks. The Department

was extremely busy during the Sesquicentennial Week when our efforts centered on traffic control, parking, assisting the Strafford Relay Team, and providing a communication network for the week's activities. Plans are now underway to conduct a training program for the Town Officers which will be carried out cooperatively with the State Police and Strafford County Enforcement Officials.

A two-way radio has been acquired to provide instant communication with adjoining towns, the county, and State Police frequencies. The Strafford Sesquicentennial Committee purchased the initial uniforms and designed and provided a town shoulder patch for the force. We are in good shape for basic equipment. Looking to the future, the town will probably have to consider the possibility of acquiring a cruiser to carry out our increased work load. There is also a need to codify the various town ordinances and bring them together in one publication.

The past year has really been a period of organizing our procedures in order to best serve the town. We feel that a good start has been made and with your continued support the Department will provide the services you desire.

EDGAR BURROWS,
Chief of Police

CENTER BARNSTEAD FIRE DEPARTMENT

	Ambulance Calls 1969	Ambulance Calls 1970	Appropriations Needed from Each Town for 1971-1972
Pittsfield	86	64	\$ 3,200
Barnstead	54	57	\$ 1,500
Epsom	47	24	\$ 2,000
Northwood	36	51	\$ 2,000
Loudon	20	7	\$ 2,000
Strafford	13	15	\$ 1,300
Chichester	13	14	\$ 1,500
Gilmanton	20	18	\$ 1,500
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Total	289	250	\$15,000

REPORT OF TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF STRAFFORD ON DECEMBER 31, 1970

Date of Creation	Name of Trust Fund	Purpose of Trust Fund	How Invested	PRINCIPAL			INCOME				
				Balance Beginning Year	Original Funds Created	Interest Gain Dividends	Balance End Year	Balance Beginning Year	Expended During Year	Balance End Year	
1899	Lavina H. Young	Town Note	N.H. Savings Bank	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00		\$1,000.00	\$ 51.77	\$ 51.77		
1917	Mary J. Wain	Cemetery	N.H. Savings Bank	484.64	400.00	\$ 25.10	509.74	\$ 40.91	10.00	\$ 30.91	
6-13-19	Betsy Welch	Cemetery	N.H. Savings Bank	242.31	200.00	12.51	254.82	17.94		17.94	
6- 3-21	Nancy Perkins	Cemetery	N.H. Savings Bank	177.56	100.00	9.18	186.74				
10- 2-21	Betsy Hawkins	Cemetery	N.H. Savings Bank	100.00	100.00		100.00	5.16	5.16		
11- 3-21	Samuel Jenness	Cemetery	N.H. Savings Bank		200.00						
12-25-58	Samuel Jenness	Cemetery	N.H. Savings Bank	527.39	200.00	27.30	554.69	50.71		50.71	
11- 7-22	Abbie Seavey	Cemetery	N.H. Savings Bank	100.00	100.00		100.00		5.16		
6- 6-25	Paul Hayes	Cemetery	N.H. Savings Bank	60.57	50.00	3.10	63.67	13.13		13.13	
6- 6-25	John Babb	Cemetery	N.H. Savings Bank	115.28	100.00		115.28	5.87	5.93	11.80	
6- 2-26	Ella Waterhouse	Cemetery	N.H. Savings Bank	200.00	200.00		200.00		10.34		
6- 2-26	Eliza Garfield	Cemetery	N.H. Savings Bank	219.03	150.00		219.03	9.11	11.31	15.42	
4- 2-27	D. W. Smith	Cemetery	N.H. Savings Bank	100.00	100.00		100.00		5.16		
4-21-27	Abbie Caverly	Cemetery	N.H. Savings Bank	186.99	100.00	9.65	196.64				
4-21-27	John W. Jewell	Cemetery	N.H. Savings Bank	104.64	100.00		104.64	7.82	5.00	8.23	
4- 2-27	John D. Clark	Cemetery	N.H. Savings Bank	274.98	100.00	14.22	289.20				
9-10-30	Robert L. Foss	Cemetery	N.H. Savings Bank	131.84	100.00	6.80	138.64	42.40		42.40	
9- 2-33	Herbert Foss	Cemetery	N.H. Savings Bank	200.00	200.00		200.00	24.32	10.34	29.66	

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				Balance Beginning Year	Original Funds Created	Interest Gain Dividends	Balance End Year	Balance Beginning Year	Expended During Year	Balance End Year
8- 4-34	Ella F. Holmes	Cemetery	N.H. Savings Bank	105.09	100.00	5.41	110.50	11.81		11.81
12-10-37	Dearborn Caswell	Cemetery	N.H. Savings Bank	302.90	200.00	15.66	318.56	27.31		27.31
12-10-37	James Walker	Cemetery	N.H. Savings Bank	100.00	100.00		100.00		5.16	
8-12-44	Fred Stanton	Cemetery	N.H. Savings Bank	242.31	200.00	12.51	254.82	14.71		14.71
9- 6-50	Elizabeth Hartwell	Cemetery	N.H. Savings Bank	124.26	100.00		124.26	7.87	5.00	9.29
3- 5-50	Llewellyn Ham	Cemetery	N.H. Savings Bank	242.31	200.00	12.51	254.82	30.00		30.00
10-22-50	John Waldron	Cemetery	N.H. Savings Bank	115.28	100.00		115.28	10.43	5.93	11.36
5-11-55	Waldron & Caswell	Cemetery	N.H. Savings Bank	121.15	100.00	6.26	127.41	20.38		20.38
9- 9-57	Paul Perkins	Cemetery	N.H. Savings Bank	288.65	175.00	14.92	303.57			
12-23-58	John Jenness	Cemetery	N.H. Savings Bank	263.70	200.00	13.63	277.33	40.12		40.12
8-11-57	Leighton & Winkley	Cemetery	N.H. Savings Bank	389.50	250.00	20.14	409.64			
3-10-66	Webster & Tuttle	Cemetery	N.H. Savings Bank	414.05	375.00	21.42	435.47	20.08	5.00	15.08
				\$6,934.43		\$230.32	\$7,164.75	\$394.92	\$122.75	\$400.26

SPECIAL MEETING — SEPTEMBER 8, 1970

At a legal Special Meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Strafford in the County of Strafford in said State, the following action was taken on the Special Warrant, on the 8th day of September 1970.

ARTICLE 1. The Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board was adopted for the Town by a ballot vote.

Yes — 153

No — 73

A true record: Attest—

PHYLLIS F. LYNBURG,
Town Clerk

A true copy of record: Attest—

PHYLLIS F. LYNBURG,
Town Clerk

**BUILDING REGULATIONS
AND THE
ZONE AND LAND USE ORDINANCE**

**TOWN OF STRAFFORD
INCORPORATED 1820
NEW HAMPSHIRE**

OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN
TO: TAXPAYERS
TOWN OF STRAFFORD

CENTER STRAFFORD, N. H.

The building regulations were adopted at the March 1958 Town Meeting and became effective on April 1, 1959.

The Zoning and Land Use Ordinance was passed at the Special Town Meeting on September 8, 1970 and became effective on passage.

The selectmen meet normally every first Saturday morning of the month at the Town Offices. Building permit applications can be obtained from the Selectmen.

The Planning Board meets irregularly depending on Town business. A call to the Chairman will give you the date of the next meeting which is generally in the evening during the week at the Town Offices. You are cordially invited to attend.

Date

No.

TOWN OF STRAFFORD, N.H.

Application For A Permit To Build

DWELLING - SUMMER DWELLING - GARAGE - OTHER - FRAME - BRICK
STONE AND CONCRETE - ALTER - OR - ENLARGE

Name of Owner is

Address

Location

On the

Side of Street

Name of Contractor

Address

Name of Architect

Address

Material of Building

Style of Roof

Roof Covering

Size of Building, ft. front

Ft. rear

Ft. Deep

No. stories

Size of L., ft. long

Breezeway

Garage

Distance from adjacent building

How many families

Cost of building

Distance from line of street

Distance from lot line

Size of Lot front

Rear

Deep

Building to be occupied for

After alteration

Any other building on lot

SOLID OR FILLED

WALL FOOTING LAID ON

FOUNDATION

OUTER WALL COVERING

CHIMNEY

FLUES

FIREPLACE

HEATILATOR

The undersigned hereby agrees that the proposed work shall be done in accordance with the foregoing statement, and with the plans and specifications submitted; and that the work connected therewith shall conform with the building laws and regulations of the TOWN OF STRAFFORD, and that the Building Inspector when foundation, frame and chimneys are ready for inspection, will notify the Building

Name

Address

(Sanitary System must be approved by Health Officer) A DIAGRAM OF PLOT AND BUILDING LOCATION THEREON IS REQUIRED

PERMIT

No.

Town of Strafford, N. H.

Date

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This certifies that

(Owner)

Whose address is

Contractor's Name

Address

Location of which is

In accordance with the application, approved plans and building code.

May Build ☐

May Alter ☐

The receipt of \$ is hereby acknowledged.

Building Inspector

ARTICLES PASSED AT TOWN MEETINGS

March 10, 1959

- Art. 16 Motion made by George Foss that the Selectmen be authorized to appoint a building inspector to hold office for the term of one year, and by vote fix and regulate his compensation as authorized by Section I, Chapter 156, N. H. revised Statutes Annotated, 1955. Motion seconded and vote carried in the affirmative.
- Art. 17 Motion made by Marjorie Foss, seconded by Oscar Pratt, that the building regulations as set forth in Article 17 be adopted. Vote carried in the affirmative.

BUILDING REGULATIONS

1. MINIMUM BUILDING AREA

Every dwelling unit to be used by a single family shall have a minimum ground floor area of five hundred (500) square feet.

2. FOUNDATIONS

All structures shall be set on solid foundations of cement, brick, stone or other acceptable masonry except that in special cases where buildings are to be used for accessory use the Building Inspector may waive the requirements of this section and permit the use of wood, metal or masonry piers.

3. OUTSIDE WALLS

These shall be constructed of material commonly used for outside construction and materials customarily painted shall be painted.

4. SEWERAGE

A private sewage disposal system is required. The type, size and construction of all septic tanks and drain fields shall be approved by the State of New Hampshire.

5. CHIMNEY CONSTRUCTION

Chimneys shall extend at least three feet above the highest point where they pass through the roof of a building and at least two feet higher than any portion of the building within ten feet. No chimney shall be

built, erected, or altered below the roof having wood or other combustible materials within one inch of the chimney and no chimney shall have its base resting upon any floor or beam or any combustible material. Factory-built chimneys that are approved as a result of tests and listing by a nationally recognized testing laboratory shall be installed in accordance with the condition of approval.

6. AMENDMENT

This ordinance may be amended by a majority vote of any legal Town Meeting when such amendment is published in the warrant calling for the meeting.

7. ENFORCEMENT

Upon any well-founded information that this Ordinance is being violated, the Selectmen shall, on their own initiative, take immediate steps to enforce the provisions of this Ordinance by seeking an injunction in Superior Court or by any other appropriate legal action. Whoever violates any of the above regulations shall be punished upon conviction by fine not exceeding ten dollars (\$10.00) for each day of each violation.

8. EFFECTIVE DATE

April 1, 1959

Building Regulations are authorized under Sections 2-5 inclusive, Chapter 156, N. H. revised Statutes Annotated 1955.

March 9, 1965

Art. 15 Motion by Albert Leighton that anyone wishing to build a dock or pier be required to obtain a permit from the Selectmen. Seconded and voted in the affirmative.

ZONING AND LAND USE ORDINANCE TOWN OF STRAFFORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE

PREAMBLE

ARTICLE 1

In order to preserve the beauty and rural appearance of our town, to protect the health, safety and general welfare of the community, to provide adequate areas between buildings and various rights of ways, to protect property values, to provide adequate public utilities and other public requirements, the following Ordinance is hereby adopted by the voters of the Town of Strafford, New Hampshire in accordance with Chapter 32, sections 60-89 of the New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated, as amended.

DISTRICTS

ARTICLE 2

2.1 For the purpose of this Ordinance, the entire area of Strafford shall be established as an Agricultural-Residential district. Area A. The exceptions, by definition, are State Lands, and areas set aside for Conservation, Areas B and C.

2.2 Although no specific area has been set aside for business, or industry, the establishment of such an enterprise that can be shown to be an asset to the town is encouraged. Off-road parking facilities must be provided by the business.

2.3 Application for any non-conforming uses shall be made to a Board of Adjustment for approval or disapproval.

GENERAL PROVISIONS

ARTICLE 3

3.1 For sanitary protection all sewage disposal systems to be installed within the town limits shall be made in such a manner that they will not be a nuisance, or detrimental to the public health. Determination of these factors shall be made under the existing laws of the State of New Hampshire. Reference-- RSA 149 Amended.

3.2 Persons planning to install sewerage systems shall at the time of applying to the New Hampshire Water Supply and Pollution Control commission make duplicate application to the Selectmen.

3.3 An owner or occupant of land shall not permit fire or other ruins to be left, but shall remove the same within six months. RSA 155-B.

3.4 Except for the purpose or in connection with the construc-

tion of a building for which a building permit has been issued, or for grading on the same site with material removed, or for other non-commercial uses no person shall remove sod, loam, sand, gravel, clay and stone without first obtaining a permit from the Board of Selectmen. No permit will be granted without there first being a public hearing. Said hearing to be held no later than forty five (45) days from date of application for said permit. A permit will only be granted with a restriction that the site shall be restored through landscaping and revegetation.

3.5 No permit to build will be issued by the Building Inspector or Selectmen until a plat, or plan, showing the location of the structure of house, appurtenances and water and sewage systems, in relation to the property lines, has received the approval of the Planning Board. Such permit application shall be acted on by said Board at their next regular meeting or within thirty (30) days from date of submission. If not acted upon, it will be assumed that the permit has been granted.

3.6 No building or land shall hereafter be used and no building or part thereof shall be erected, moved, or altered except in conformity with the provisions of this Ordinance.

3.7 The Planning Board shall have the power to approve or disapprove subdivisions in accordance with RSA 36. The Town Clerk shall on passage of this Ordinance file formal notice with Register of Deeds for Strafford County of the authorization of the Planning Board to approve or disapprove subdivisions and the date of said authorization.

3.8 Signs in any district shall not be placed within 25 feet of any right of way and shall not exceed six (6) square feet except by special permit of the Board of adjustment. Flashing or animated signs are prohibited.

3.9 A building permit granted under this Ordinance shall not be good for a period of more than one year.

ARTICLE 4

Agricultural – Residential District

A building may be erected, altered or used, and a lot may be used or occupied for the following purposes, and in accordance with the following provisions:

A. LAND REQUIREMENTS

1. **Frontage** – Every building lot shall have a minimum frontage of 150 feet provided that, where lots are located on the exterior of a curving street, a shorter front dimension shall be permitted provided that the average width of the lot measured across its center shall be at least 150 feet.

2. **Front Yard** — Between the nearest right of way and the extreme front of any building there shall be a distance minimum of 40 feet.
3. **Side and Back Yards** — A building shall not be located nearer than twenty-five feet of the property lines of any abutter and not nearer than fifty feet from any structure on an abutter's property.
4. **Minimum Land Area** — A lot shall not be less than 40,000 sq. feet, with an additional 20,000 square feet for each family unit under a common roof, except as set forth in Section 4-a 4-b below.

(4-a) Building lots, having either a Community Water Supply or a Community Sewage System, meeting the approval of the N. H. Water Supply and Pollution Control Commission, and offered for sale within the town shall contain not less than 15,000 square feet, and the said lots shall have not less than 100 feet frontage, nor less than 100 feet from lot line to lot line, provided they are located not more than 350 feet from a Public Lake or Public Pond, as defined RSA 271, and the entire area of the lot must be within the 350 foot limitation.

(4-b) Notwithstanding the area, frontage, and dimension requirements, hereof, a single, detached one-family dwelling, or lawful building other than a single family dwelling, may be constructed and used on a lot having less than the prescribed basic minimum area and/or minimum dimensions "provided that all other requirements of this Ordinance are complied with" if said lot, prior to the date of the adoption of the requirements in quotation was lawfully laid out by plan or deed, duly, recorded in the Strafford County Registry of Deeds.

B. LAND USES ALLOWED

1. The buying, selling and exposing for sale of home produce and products.
2. The office of a professional person.
3. Taking of boarders or the leasing or renting of rooms or buildings.
4. Customary home occupations carried on in the house by a resident person.
5. Single-family, two-family, and three-family residences including accessory buildings and buildings for agricultural purposes are permitted in this District.
6. Convalescent and nursing homes, churches, schools, playgrounds, parks, golf courses, tennis courts, stores are permitted.

7. Farming, including dairying, livestock and poultry raising, horticulture, truck farming, forestry, and other related agricultural enterprises, and the sale of the products realized from farming is permitted.

PROHIBITED USES

ARTICLE 5

5.1 Any business or industry or structure which would be seriously detrimental or offensive to the owners of adjoining property or to the town or which would tend to radically reduce property values of other property is prohibited except by special permit by the Board of Adjustment.

5.2 Any land uses that may be injurious or dangerous to the health or safety of the community are prohibited.

MOBILE HOME

6.1 A single mobile home or single trailer may be located anywhere in the district provided it meets all frontage, front yard, side yard and back yard, minimum land area, and sewerage disposal requirements that are specified in this Ordinance for building and lots located in the district.

6.2 No Trailer Park or Mobile Home Park for the use of mobile homes or house trailers shall be permitted in the district unless authorized by the Town of Strafford at an Annual or Special Town Meeting called by the Selectmen at the request of the Planning Board. After such authorization, no permit shall be granted unless the park site meets all the requirements of Article 6.1.

NON-CONFORMING USE

ARTICLE 7

7.1 Any non-conforming use of land, building lot, or buildings may continue in their present use except that such non-conforming use shall not be changed, extended or enlarged except by special permit of the Board of Adjustment. A discontinuance of one year shall void the permit.

ENFORCEMENT

ARTICLE 8

8.1 It shall be the duty of the Board of Selectmen to enforce the provisions of this Ordinance.

8.2 The Building Inspector or Selectmen shall issue all building permits requested when such permit is in accordance with the provisions of this Ordinance. All such permits to be valid must be signed by two selectmen or the Building Inspector and one

Selectman.

8.3 On passage of this Ordinance, it shall be unlawful to erect, alter, or relocate any structure without first obtaining a permit from the Building Inspector or Selectmen.

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

ARTICLE 9

9.1 Within thirty days after adoption, the Board of Selectmen shall appoint a Board of Adjustment of five members, one member to serve for one year, one for two years, one for three years, one for four years, one for five years and thereafter the Selectmen shall appoint one member for a term of five years. Vacancies shall be filled by the Selectmen for the unexpired term. The duties of said Board shall conform to the provisions of Chapter 31 of the New Hampshire Statutes Annotated; 1955.

9.2 In addition to the general powers granted to the Board of Adjustment by Chapter 31, it may, in harmony and subject to the provisions of this Ordinance:

- a. Permit a non-conforming temporary use for an initial period of not more than two years.
- b. Waive the frontage requirements in this Ordinance where there are unusual conditions of street curvature, topography or sub-surface conditions. In such cases, however, the average width of the lot shall be at least equal to the frontage requirements.

ARTICLE 10

10.1 This Ordinance may be amended by a majority vote of any legal Town Meeting when the amendment is published in the Warrant calling for the meeting, and when the amendment has received a public hearing which has been advertised and given a legal 15 day notice.

ARTICLE 11

11.1 Every person, persons, firm or corporation convicted by an authorized court having jurisdiction for violating any of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be fined not more than ten dollars for each day the violation may exist.

ARTICLE 12

Saving Clause

The invalidity of any provision of this Ordinance shall not effect the validity of any other provisions.

ARTICLE 13

When Effective

This Ordinance shall take effect upon its passage.

ARTICLE 14

For the Purpose of this Ordinance, certain terms are defined as provided in this section.

A. Home produce and products includes everything of an agricultural nature grown, produced, conditioned or otherwise carried on the property of the resident and such articles as are manufactured or altered by members of the household and their employees.

B. Right of Way means all town, state and federal highways and the land on either side as covered by statutes to determine the widths of the rights of way.

C. Trailer Park or Mobile Home Park means a lot occupied by two or more trailers designed to be used for living purposes.

D. Front Yard. A space extending for the full width of a lot between the extreme front line of a building and the nearest side of the right of way.

E. Frontage means the length of the lot bordering on the public right of way and/or private right of way. Developments on private roads are subject to the same zoning regulations as those on public roads and private roads shall conform to the requirements of Land Subdivision Control Regulations, Section 4.

F. Non-conforming structure. A non-conforming structure is a structure the use of which in whole or in part, does not conform to the use regulations of the district in which the structure is located.

G. Non-conforming Use. A non-conforming use is a use in any structure which does not conform to the use regulations of the district in which such use exists.

H. Lot. A lot is any undivided parcel of land in legal separate ownership or any part thereof designated by its Owner or Owners as a separate lot.

I. Building Lot. A lot on which is placed a building.

J. Side Yard. An unoccupied space extending for the full length of a building between the building and the side lot line.

K. Back Yard. A space, unoccupied extending for the full width of the lot between the extreme rear line of a building and

the rear lot line.

L. Accessory Building. A building subordinate to the main building and customarily incidental to the main purpose of such building.

M. Structure. A combination of materials to form a construction that is safe and stable, including among others but not limited to dwellings and shall include any part thereof.

N. Building. A structure, including all integral parts thereof, intended for use and occupation as a habitation, or for some purpose of assembly, business, manufacture, institutional, storage, ornamentation, or shelter to persons, animals or chattels.

O. Dwelling. A building used as a habitation or parts thereof used for access to such building.

- (a) Single family dwelling means a building and accessories thereto used or adapted for use as a dwelling by one family.
- (b) Two family dwelling means a building and accessories thereto used or adapted for use as a dwelling by two families.
- (c) Multiple dwelling means a building and accessories thereto used or adapted for use as a dwelling by more than two families or by any unit or group other than a family as defined herein.
- (d) Seasonal dwelling means a dwelling used for a part of a year.
- (e) Dwelling unit means one or more rooms arranged for the use of one or more individuals living together as a single housekeeping unit, with cooking, living, sanitary, and sleeping facilities.

SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS OF THE TOWN OF STRAFFORD

SECTION I AUTHORITY

Pursuant to the authority vested in the Strafford Planning Board by the voters of the Town of Strafford by vote of the Special Town Meeting, September 8, 1970 and in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 36, Sections 19-29 New Hampshire RSA 1955, as amended, the Strafford Planning Board adopts the following Regulations governing the subdivision of land in the Town of Strafford, New Hampshire.

SECTION II

GENERAL PROVISIONS

2.1 TITLE. These Regulations shall be known and cited as **SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS OF THE TOWN OF STRAFFORD.**

2.2 JURISDICTION. These regulations shall pertain to all land within the boundaries of the Town of Strafford and shall be in effect from the time of their adoption by the Strafford Planning Board.

2.3 ADMINISTRATION. The Planning Board of the Town of Strafford shall administer these regulations.

2.4 PENALTIES. Whoever, being the owner or agent of the owner of any land located within a subdivision, transfers or sells any land by reference to, or exhibition of, or by any other use of, a plat of a subdivision, before such plat has been approved by the Planning Board and recorded or filed in the office of the Register of Deeds of Strafford County shall forfeit and pay a penalty of \$500 for each lot or parcel so transferred or sold and the description by metes and bounds in the instrument of transfer shall not exempt the transaction from such penalties. The Town through its solicitor or other official designated by its Selectmen may enjoin such transfer or sale or agreement and may recover the said penalty by civil action, including reasonable Court costs and attorney fees.

2.5 SEVERABILITY. If any section, sub-section, sentence, clause or phrase of these regulations is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or illegal, such invalidity shall not effect the validity of the remaining portion of these regulations.

SECTION III

DEFINITIONS

3.1 BOARD. The Planning Board of the Town of Strafford.

3.2 EASEMENT. A grant or reservation by the owner of land for the use of all or a portion of such land by others, including the public, for a specific purpose or purposes, and which must be included in the conveyance of land affected by such easement. The usage of the word "easement" for land platting purposes in these regulations means that such easement area is included within the dimensions and areas of the lots or parcels through which the easement may run, and is not to be separated therefrom as in the case of a right of way.

3.3 LOT. A parcel of land capable of being occupied by one principal structure or use, and its accessory structures or uses, and as shown and identified as such on a plat. The number of lots in a subdivision will be considered to be the total number on adjacent land with the same subdivider whether the subdivision is made at one time or serially.

3.4 PLAT. The final map, drawing or chart on which the subdivider's plan of subdivision is presented to the Board for ap-

proval, and which, if approved, will be submitted to the Registrar of Deeds of Strafford County for recording.

3.5 RIGHT-OF-WAY. A strip of land occupied or intended to be occupied by a street, crosswalk, water main, sanitary or storm sewer main, or for other special use including public use. The usage of the term "right-of-way" for land platting purpose in these regulations shall mean that every right-of-way hereafter established and shown on a record plat is to be separate and distinct from the lots and parcels adjoining such right-of-way, and not to be included within the dimensions or areas of such other lots or parcels.

3.6 ROADWAY. The finished road surface between the shoulder breaks.

3.7 STREET. Street, avenue, boulevard, road, alley, highway, and other way exclusive of driveways serving not more than five adjacent lots.

3.8 SUBDIVIDER. The registered owner or the authorized agent of the registered owner of a subdivision.

3.9 SUBDIVISION. The division of a tract or parcel of land into two or more lots for the purpose, whether immediate or future, of sale, rent, lease, or building development. When appropriate to the context of these regulations, the word "subdivision" shall relate either to the process of subdividing or to the land or area subdivided.

SECTION IV EXEMPTIONS

The following types of subdivisions are exempt from the requirements of these regulations.

4.1 AGRICULTURE. A bona fide division or partition of exclusively agricultural or timber land into parcels of five acres or more, for continued exclusive agricultural or timber purposes.

4.2 COURT ACTION. Partition of lands by will or through action of a court of competent jurisdiction.

4.3 PUBLIC TAKING. The division of a tract or parcel of land by public taking, such as the creation of a right-of-way across the property.

4.4 ADJOINING PROPERTIES. The sale or exchange of parcels of land between owners of adjoining porperties for the purpose of adjusting boundaries: provided that additional lots are not hereby created and that the original parcels or lots are not reduced below the minimum size requirements by these regulations.

4.5 UTILITY RIGHTS-OF-WAY. A bona fide division of a tract of land in order that one or more of the resulting parcels may be used as part of an electric transmission line right-of-way,

than five days before any regular meeting of the Board with either the chairman or secretary of the Board who shall furnish the subdivider with a receipt for same.

5.6 APPROVAL. The Board shall consider any final plat submitted to it within 30 days and shall act to approve or disapprove thereof within 90 days from the date of submission in accordance with Section 23, Chapter 36, N. H. RSA 1955, as amended. If the Board approves the plat, the chairman or secretary of the Board shall transmit a copy of the plat with such approval endorsed in writing thereon to the Registrar of Deeds of Strafford County, and to the subdivider.

5.7 FAILURE TO TAKE ACTION. The Town Clerk shall be the Town officer who shall issue a certificate of failure on the part of the Board to take action on approval or disapproval of a plat submitted to it, as provided by Chapter 36, Section 23, N. H. RSA 1955, as amended.

5.8 APPROVAL OF PLATS OF EXEMPTED SUBDIVISIONS. Where the approval of the Board is a necessary prerequisite for recordation of any plat exempted from these regulations, the chairman and secretary of the Board are hereby empowered to make such approval; provided, however, any question of the exempt status of a subdivision hereunder, shall be submitted to the Board for its determination.

5.9 COSTS. All costs pertaining to a subdivision and the approval of same shall be borne by the subdivider, prior to the Board's approval.

SECTION VI GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

6.1 CHARACTER OF LAND

6.1(1) UNSAFE LAND. The Board shall prohibit or restrict subdivision of any land which is found by the Board to be unsafe for development by reason of its being subject to flooding, erosive action, unstabilized slope or fill, or otherwise located in a situation so that safe healthful development cannot be maintained on the land.

6.1(2) UNSUITABLE LAND. The Board shall restrict subdivision of land which is found by the Board to be unsuitable for development by reason of high water table, bed rock or other impervious strata close to the surface, or excessive slope.

6.1(3) PART OF LOT. The Board may permit, as to unsafe and unsuitable land, that it be platted as part of a lot in which there is sufficient safe and suitable land to satisfy the requirements of these regulations as to minimum lot size.

6.1(4) PONDS, STREAMS, AND WETLANDS. In cases not controlled by an agency of the State of New Hampshire, the Board will not normally permit the filling or dredging of any part of a pond beyond the normal high water line, including adjoining swamps, marshes and bogs; the obstruction or partial obstruction of the normal flood bed of any stream or natural waterway; the change of course of such streams or waterways; or the filling of any adjoining swamp, marsh or bog. This pro-

vision will not be deemed to prevent the normal improvement of beaches or of the bed of a stream or waterway for proper drainage.

6.2(1) **LOT AREA.** No lot shall be created in any subdivision with an area less than 40,000 square feet with an additional 20,000 square feet for each family unit under a common roof.

6.2(2) **FRONTAGE.** Every building lot shall have a minimum frontage of 150 feet, provided that, where lots are located on the exterior of a curving street, a shorter front dimension shall be permitted provided that the average width of the lot measured across its center shall be at least 150 feet.

6.3 **GRADING AND DRAINAGE.** Lots shall be laid out in relation to the topography, and graded sufficiently to provide adequate drainage for the purpose intended without diversion of water onto other lots or onto property adjoining the subdivision. Excessive grading and destruction of natural cover will not be permitted.

6.4 **STREETS**

6.4(1) **ARRANGEMENT.** Streets shall be logically related to the topography so as to produce usable lots, reasonable grades and safe intersections in appropriate relation to the proposed use of the land. The arrangement of streets in the subdivision shall provide for the continuation of the principal streets in adjoining subdivisions, or for their proper projection when adjoining property is not subdivided. So far as practicable, the arrangement should avoid excessive street grades without extensive cut and fill.

6.4(2) **INTERSECTIONS.** Streets should be laid out to intersect as nearly as possible at right angles, and no angle of intersection of less than sixty degrees shall be permitted. Streets entering opposite sides of another street shall be laid out either directly opposite one another or with a minimum offset of 125 feet between their center lines. Intersecting property lines at street intersections shall be joined by a curve of at least 20-foot radius.

6.4(3) **WIDTHS.** No street right-of-way shall be less than 48 feet in width, and may be required to be more; whether the street be new or existing. The width of the roadway shall be not less than 18 feet with gravel shoulders extending 3 feet from each side of the roadway to the shoulder break. Dead-end streets shall be provided with a turn-around at the closed end with a right-of-way with a minimum radius of 60 feet and with a roadway consisting of the area of a circle with a minimum radius of 45 feet to the outside edge, or equivalent turn-around area.

6.4(4) **ACCESS TO WATER.** All subdivisions with frontage on bodies of water shall provide access at suitable intervals for fire fighting equipment to said bodies of water.

6.4(5) **DRAINAGE.** A drainage swale at least 3 feet in width and 16 inches in depth at its midpoint below the street center line grade shall be constructed in each street right-of-way on each side of the roadway unless the street is provided with curbs and gutters; or unless topography and/or soil conditions makes such swales impracticable or unnecessary. No water shall be permitted

to run across the street on the surface but shall be directed into ditches or catch basins, and shall be piped underground in a pipe of sufficient size to carry thenormal flood flow of water; provided that no such pipe or culvert shall be less than 12 inches in diameter.

6.4(6) ROADWAY SURFACE. The roadways of streets in subdivisions with not more than 10 lots may have gravel surfaces. All other roadways shall be of hard-surfaced bituminous material.

6.4(7) ROADWAY CONSTRUCTION. All roadways shall be constructed in accordance with the following specifications:

- A. The foundation shall be prepared in accordance with good local practice for the soil conditions encountered to provide a sound base.
- B. The base course shall consist of not less than 12 inches of bank-run gravel, or better material, free from clay, loam or organic matter.
- C. The finish course shall consist of fine gravel, or better material, and free from clay, loam and organic matter.

6.5 SEWAGE DISPOSAL AND WATER SUPPLY

6.5(1) ON SITE. Each lot, regardless of its location, shall be adequate to provide for on site sewage disposal and water supply unless public or community systems are available or are to be supplied by the subdivider. Each lot in all subdivisions shall satisfy the requirements of the State of New Hampshire for sewage disposal systems near shorelines. Each lot shall also be adequate for on site water supply in accordance with the recommendations of the Manual of Individual Water Supply Systems issued by the U. S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare or any revision thereof.

6.5(2) COMMUNITY WATER-SUPPLY AND SEWAGE-DISPOSAL SYSTEMS. The design of any community water-supply or sewage-disposal systems to be provided by the subdivider shall be approved by appropriate officialsof the State of New Hampshire before the Board will approve the subdivision.

6.6 BUILDING LINES. No building shall be constructed on any lot within 40 feet from the right-of-way of any street or within 25 feet from the lot side or back lines. Provision for maintaining such building lines shall be established by covenants in deeds of the lots.

6.7 EASEMENTS. Easements shall be provided as required by topography and use for utilities and other special purposes as foreseen by the Board or subdivider. Such easements shall have satisfactory access to public right-of-ways, and shall in general, have a width of not less than 20 feet.

6.8 PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS. Areas set aside for parks and playgrounds to be dedicated or to be reserved for the common use of all property owners in the subdivision, whether or not required by the Board, shall be of reasonable size and character for the intended use.

6.9 RESERVE STRIPS. Reserve strips of land which, in the opinion of the Board, show an intent on the part of the subdi-

vider to control access to land dedicated or to be dedicated to public use shall not be permitted.

6.10 OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF FACILITIES.

The Board will approve no subdivision with a community water-supply or sewage-disposal system subject to control by the State of New Hampshire until provision satisfactory to the State is made for the continued operation and maintenance of such systems. The Board encourages, and may require, the subdivider to establish a community association to provide continued maintenance of such community utilities, streets, parks and playgrounds and beaches as may not be dedicated to public use and accepted by the town.

6.11 BOND. Before approval of a subdivision by the Board, there shall be filed by the subdivider a bond or other assurances acceptable to the Board in an amount sufficient to cover the cost of the preparation of streets, the extension of public water and sewer lines, if available, the construction of community utilities, if any, and the completion of essential drainage. This bond or other assurances shall be approved as to form and sureties by the legal counsel of the Town, and conditioned on the supply of service to each lot, as sold, within one year from the date of sale and on completion of all required improvements within 5 years from the date of the bond.

6.12 STREET NAMES. Streets which join or are in alignment with streets of abutting or neighboring properties shall bear the same names. Names of new streets shall not duplicate, nor bear phonetic resemblance to the names of existing streets within the Town and shall be subject to the approval of the Selectmen.

6.13 VARIANCES. Where in the opinion of the Board strict conformity to these regulations would cause undue hardship or injustice to the owner of the land, a subdivision plan substantially in conformity with these regulations may be approved by the Board; provided that the spirit of these regulations and public convenience and welfare will not be adversely affected.

SECTION VII THE PRELIMINARY LAYOUT

Subdividers shall file with the Board three copies of a preliminary layout at a scale of not more than 100 feet to the inch showing or accompanied by the following information:

7.1 Proposed subdivision name; name and address of owner of record; subdivider; designer; date; north point and scale.

7.2 Names of owners of record of abutting properties; abutting subdivision names; streets; easements; building lines; alleys; parks; public open spaces; and similar facts regarding abutting property.

7.3 Location of property lines and their approximate dimensions; existing easements, buildings, water courses, ponds or standing water, rock ledges, and other essential features.

7.4 Existing water mains, sewers, culverts, drains and proposed connections or alternative means of providing water supply and disposal of a sewage and surface drainage.

7.5 Location, name and widths of existing and proposed streets with their approximate grades and typical profiles; building lines; and the elevations of sufficient points on the property to indicate the general topography.

7.6 Boundaries and purposes of proposed permanent easements over or under private property.

7.7 Location of all parcels of land proposed to be dedicated to public use and the conditions of such dedication; location of all parcels of land proposed for community use and the conditions of such use; and a copy of such private deed restrictions as are intended to cover part of or all of the tract.

7.8 Preliminary designs of any bridges or culverts which may be required.

7.9 Temporary stakes or other markers shall be provided on the property to facilitate inspection.

7.10 Where the preliminary layout submitted covers only a part of the subdivider's entire holding, a sketch of the prospective future street system of the unsubmitted part will be furnished and the street system of the submitted part will be considered in the light of adjustments and connections with the street system of the part not submitted.

SECTION VIII

FINAL PLAT

8.1 SPECIFICATION FOR FINAL PLAT. Six copies of the final plat shall be submitted for approval. The drawings shall conform to all requirements of the Registrar of Deeds for Stratford County for recording. Each sheet shall have adequate space for the necessary endorsement by the proper authorities. The final plat shall show:

- A. Proposed subdivision name or identifying title, the name and address of owner of record and subdivider, the name, license number and seal of the designer and/or the name and address of the surveyor, date, scale and north point.
- B. Monuments, street lines, building lines, pedestrian ways, lot lines, easements, areas to be dedicated to public use, areas for community use, and areas the title to which is reserved by the subdivider.
- C. Sufficient data to determine readily the location, bearing and length of every street line, lot line, boundary line, and to reproduce such lines upon the ground. Designation and area of each lot.

8.2 OTHER DATA. The subdivider shall submit in triplicate all drawings and specifications required for the construction of all required improvements; such assurances and bonds as the Board may require; shall set reference monuments consisting of concrete or stone markers or of drilled holes in ledge or in large boulders so located that at least one corner of each lot may be reached by a survey line no more than 1,000 feet long; and shall set permanent boundary markers, such as iron pipe, on the property to mark each lot and area as identified on the plat.

SECTION IX AMENDMENTS

These regulations may be amended or rescinded by the Board but only following a public hearing on the proposed change. The Chairman or secretary of the Board shall transmit a record of any changes so authorized to the Registrar of Deeds of Strafford County.

SECTION X ADOPTION

Approved and adopted by the Board on the 22nd day of January, 1971.

Raymond Grant, Chairman

Frederick P. Lundberg, Secretary

James L. Foss, Member

David S. Dupee, Member

John B. Young, Member

STRAFFORD SCHOOL REPORT

SCHOOL BOARD

Robert Dowst, Chairman	Term expires 1971
Edgar W. Huckins, Jr.	Term expires 1972
Mrs. Carolyn Clarke	Term expires 1973

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Charles H. Morgan, B.S.Ed., M.Ed.

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT

Kenneth J. Beaupre, B.Ed., M.Ed.

TREASURER

Mrs. Christine Bozak

MODERATOR

Leonard Hardwick

CLERK

Mrs. Sylvia Dowst

AUDITORS

Roger Leighton

Donald Poppema

ATTENDANCE OFFICER AND SCHOOL CENSUS

Leonard W. Davis

SCHOOL NURSE

Mrs. Lois Fistere, R.N.

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
TENTATIVE STRAFFORD SCHOOL WARRANT

To the inhabitants of the School District in the Town of
Strafford qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Strafford School in
said district on the 9th day of March 1971, at 10:00 o'clock
in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the en-
suing three years.
4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To choose Auditors, and all other necessary officers and
agents for the ensuing year.

Given under our hands at said Strafford this 15th day of
February 1971.

ROBERT DOWST
CAROLYN CLARK
EDGAR W. HUCKINS
School Board

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

ROBERT DOWST
CAROLYN CLARK
EDGAR W. HUCKINS
School Board

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
TENTATIVE STRAFFORD SCHOOL WARRANT

To the inhabitants of the School District in the town of
Strafford qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Strafford School in
said district on the 16th day of March 1971, at 8:00 o'clock
in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To determine and appoint the salaries of the school
board and truant officer, and fix the compensation of any
other officers or agent of the district.
2. To hear the reports of agents, auditors, committees, or
officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
3. To choose agents and committees in relation to any
subject embraced in this warrant.
4. To see what sum of money the district will raise and
appropriate for the support of schools, for the salaries of
school district officials and agents, and for the payment of
statutory obligations of the district.
5. To see if the Strafford School District will vote to
raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 dollars for the
support of the Strafford Guidance Clinic for the ensuing
year.
6. To transact any other business that may legally come
before this meeting.

Given under our hands at said Strafford this 15th day of
February 1971.

ROBERT DOWST
CAROLYN CLARK
EDGAR W. HUCKINS
School Board

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

ROBERT DOWST
CAROLYN CLARK
EDGAR W. HUCKINS
School Board

REPORT OF SCHOOL TREASURER
for the
Fiscal Year July 1, 1969 to June 30, 1970

SUMMARY

Cash on Hand, July 1, 1969	\$ 9,711.94
Received from Selectmen	\$105,558.62
Revenue from State Sources	4,151.61
Revenue from Federal Sources	1,349.70
Received as Income from Trust Fund	50.93
Received from All Other Sources	10.00
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Total Receipts	111,120.86
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Total Amount Available for Fiscal Year	\$120,832.80
Less: School Board Orders Paid	120,091.37
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Balance on Hand, June 30, 1970	\$ 741.43

ESTHER R. HENDERSON,
District Treasurer

AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that we have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the Treasurer of the School District of Strafford, of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1970, and find them correct in all respects.
July 28, 1970

DONALD R. POPPEMA,
ROGER S. LEIGHTON,
Auditors

**FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE
STRAFFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT**
**For the Fiscal Year Beginning
July 1, 1969 and Ending June 30, 1970**

Balance on Hand, July 1, 1969	\$ 9,711.94
Revenue from Local Sources	105,558.62
Other Revenue from Local Sources:	
Gifts and Bequests	\$ 50.93
Other Revenue	10.00
	<hr/> 60.93
Revenue from State Sources:	
School Building Aid	\$ 2,614.99
Sweepstakes	1,318.16
Other	218.46
	<hr/> 4,151.61
Revenue from Federal Sources:	
School Lunch and Special Milk	1,349.70
Item 60 Receipts (Reimb. expenditures)	8,906.34
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Grand Total Receipts	\$129,739.14
Total Expenditures (see following pages)	—128,997.71
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Unencumbered balance	\$ 741.43

BUILDING FUND SUMMARY

<hr/> RECEIPTS	
Premiums and Interest	\$ 287.34
Cash on Hand, July 1, 1969	35,631.99
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Grand Total Receipts	\$ 35,919.33
EXPENDITURES	
General Contract	\$ 34,104.34
Architect's Fee and Expenses	717.00
Other Expenditures	1,097.99
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Grand Total Expenditures	\$ 35,919.33

DETAILED EXPENDITURES (1969-70)

Administration		Totals
Salaries		
Robert Dowst, Chairman	\$ 200.00	
Carolyn Clarke, School Board	200.00	
Edgar Huckins, School Board	200.00	
Leonard Hardwick, Moderator	10.00	
Sylvia Dowst, District Clerk	15.00	
Esther Henderson, Treasurer	200.00	
Donald Poppema, Auditor	10.00	
Roger Leighton, Auditor	10.00	
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	\$	845.00
Contracted Services		
Bookkeeper. Dorothy Colwell	\$ 250.00	
Census, Leonard Davis	30.00	
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		280.00
Other Expenses		156.12
Instruction		
Salaries		
Prin. & 4th Grade, Irene Scribner	\$ 6,400.00	
Teachers		
Grade 1 — Ada Hayes	5,578.24	
Grade 2 — Solveig Perreton	5,700.00	
Grade 3 — Lillian Critchett	5,700.00	
Grades 5 & 6 and Library,		
Louise Williams	5,850.00	
Grades 7 & 8 — Mary Higgins	5,700.00	
Tutoring — Bernice Omand	648.00	
Substitutes — Dorothy Berry	30.00	
Myrtle Clark	60.00	
Priscilla Bolen	75.00	
Marion Conroy	960.00	
Linda Hendricks	45.00	
Refund — Blue Cross	19.00	
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	\$	36,727.24
Textbooks		317.74
Library & Audio Visual		240.13
Teaching Supplies		1,454.35
Other Expenses		78.70
Attendance Services		
Truant Officer, Leonard Davis		25.00

Health Services		
School Nurse — Dorothy Wells		419.55
Lois Fistere		630.00
Supplies		34.62
Pupil Transportation		
Contracted Services		
Virgil Scribner	\$ 6,719.66	
Herbert Scribner	4,001.57	
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Operation of Plant		
Custodial Salaries		
William Lynbourg		3,300.00
Supplies		640.49
Contracted Services		
Catino (Furnace maintenance)		62.10
Heat, James K. Horne		1,458.68
Utilities		
Public Service and N.E. Telephone		1,758.35
Maintenance of Plant		
Repairs to Equipment		169.67
Contracted Services		
C. H. Sullivan	\$ 100.00	
3M Business Products	47.00	
Arthur W. Contois	40.00	
Tri-State Gas	13.50	
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Repairs to Building		250.74
Fixed Charges		
Employee Retirement		\$ 748.23
F.I.C.A. (Social Security)	1,389.30	
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Insurance — Treasurer's Bond		\$ 25.00
Building	358.17	
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Other Expenses		3.85
School Lunch & Special Milk		
District Contribution	\$ 500.00	
Federal Contribution	1,349.70	
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Student Body Activities		
Sports Equipment		17.25
Capital Outlay		
Building Addition — Refer to		
Building Fund Summary		
Equipment		
Merrimack Farmers Exchange	\$ 34.20	
J. L. Hammett Co.	174.60	
Milton Bradley Co.	459.00	
Mainco School Supply Co.	50.70	
C. H. Sullivan	500.00	
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Other Expenses		18.16
Debt Service		
Principal of Debt		8,566.36
Interest on Debt		5,317.15
Outgoing Transfer Accounts		
Tuition to Other Districts	\$ 29,139.93	
Tuition to Public Academies	8,092.88	
District Share of Union Expense	3,441.64	
Other In-State Expenditures	135.04	
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Total Detailed Expenditures		\$120,091.37

STRAFFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET WORKSHEET

1971-1972

Purpose of Appropriation	Adopted 1969-70	Expended 1969-70	Adopted 1970-71	Proposed 1971-72
Administration				
Salaries	\$ 845.00	\$ 845.00	\$ 845.00	\$ 845.00
Contracted Services	280.00	280.00	380.00	380.00
Other Expenses	150.00	156.12	150.00	150.00
Instruction				
Salaries	37,698.00	36,727.24	47,350.00	50,350.00
Textbooks	500.00	317.74	600.00	600.00
Library & Audiovisual Materials	200.00	240.13	390.00	410.00
Teaching Supplies	1,400.00	1,454.35	2,160.00	2,160.00
Contracted Services				
Other Expenses	100.00	78.70	100.00	100.00
Attendance Services	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00
Health Services	1,350.00	1,084.17	1,350.00	2,250.00
Pupil Transportation	9,500.00	10,721.23	13,497.00	14,997.00
Operation of Plant				
Salaries	3,300.00	3,300.00	3,800.00	4,000.00
Supplies	600.00	640.49	700.00	700.00
Contracted Services		62.10		
Heat	1,300.00	1,458.68	1,700.00	1,700.00
Utilities	1,650.00	1,758.35	1,650.00	1,650.00
Maintenance of Plant	500.00	620.91	1,910.00	860.00
Fixed Charges				
Employee Retirement & F.I.C.A.	2,982.38	2,137.53	3,960.60	4,270.50
Insurance	600.00	383.17	1,044.00	1,010.00
Other Expenses		3.85		
School Lunch & Spec. Milk Program				
Spec. Milk Program	1,500.00	1,849.70	1,400.00	1,700.00
Student Body Activities	100.00	17.25	100.00	100.00
Capital Outlay				
	See Building Fund Summary			
Sites			300.00	500.00
Buildings		18.16		
Equipment	150.00	1,218.50	825.00	1,035.00
Debt Service				
Principal of Debt	8,500.00	8,566.36	8,566.76	8,566.76
Interest on Debt	4,880.00	5,317.15	4,301.97	3,902.77
Outgoing Transfer Accounts in State				
Tuition	37,118.00	37,232.81	36,883.00	53,054.00
Supervisory Union Expenses	3,441.64	3,441.64	3,793.98	3,612.89
Other Expenses		135.04	200.00	
Expenditures to other than Pub. Schools			753.00	
Total Expenditures		\$120,091.37		
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GRAND TOTALS	\$118,670.02	\$120,091.37	\$138,735.31	\$158,928.92

**STRAFFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT
REVENUES AND CREDITS**

Revenues and Credits Available to Reduce Local Taxes	Approved Revenues (Tax Commission) 1970-1971	School Board Budget (Estimated) 1971-72
Unencumbered Balance	\$ 506.92	
Revenue from State Sources		
Sweepstakes	1,139.08	\$ 1,200.00
School Building Aid	2,614.99	2,614.99
Revenue from Federal Sources		
School Lunch & Special Milk	900.00	900.00
Local Revenue except Taxes		
Trust Fund Income	35.00	35.00
Total Revenues and Credits	\$ 5,195.99	\$ 4,749.99
District Assessment to be Raised by Property Taxes	133,539.32	154,178.93
Total Appropriations	\$138,735.31	\$158,928.92

**STRAFFORD SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM
FINANCIAL STATEMENT
July 1, 1969 to June 30, 1970**

Beginning Balance, July 1, 1969	\$ 456.83
Receipts:	
Lunch Sales, Children	\$ 5,308.41
Lunch Sales, Adults	133.58
Reimbursement	1,349.70
District Appropriation	500.00
Misc. Cash	213.00
Total Receipts	7,504.69
Total Available	\$ 7,961.52

Expenditures

Food	\$ 4,850.10
Labor	2,464.25
Equipment	271.82
All Other Expenditures	136.95

Total Expenditures 7,723.12

Balance, June 30, 1970 \$ 238.40

Other Program Resources:

USDA Commodities Received \$ 800.00
(Wholesale Value)

BALANCE SHEET

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 1970

Assets:

Cash in Bank	\$ 238.40
Accounts Receivable:	
Reimbursement due Program	263.33
Food Inventory, June 30	75.00

Total Assets \$ 576.73

Liabilities:

	None
Working Capital	\$ 576.73

Total Liabilities and Working Capital \$ 576.73

DOROTHY L. SMITH

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Board and the citizens of Strafford:

In September, the Strafford Elementary School was organized as follows:

Grade	Teacher	Pupils
1	Mrs. Ada Hayes	26
2	Mrs. Solveig Perreton	24
3	Miss Nancy Higgins	24
4	Mrs. Irene Scribner*	26
5-6	Mrs. Louise Williams	31
6-7	Mrs. Sally Riley	32
8	Mrs. Mary Higgins	27
		Total 190

*Principal

Other Staff Members

School Nurse	Mrs. Lois Fistere
Music Teacher	Mrs. J. Patricia Minot
Teacher Aide	Mrs. Barbara Newsky
Custodian	Mr. William Lynbourg
Lunch Supervisor	Mrs. Dorothy Smith
Lunch Worker	Mrs. Helen Sims

Strafford tuition pupils attending high schools and approved public academies are as follows:

School	Grade 9	10	11	12	Total	Tuition
Austin-Gate	0	0	2	2	4	\$753
Coe-Brown	3	0	4	0	7	753
Pittsfield	1	1	1	0	3	700
Rochester	12	20	13	9	54	550
Concord	0	0	0	1	1	753
Total	16	21	20	12	69	

As was brought out in last year's District Report, a plan for implementation of the State Minimum Standards must be initiated no later than September 1, 1972. This does not necessarily mean that all facets of the document must be met

by then, but the District should have long range plans in meeting these requirements.

The following is an inconclusive summary as to how Strafford stands on some of the stipulations of the Minimum Standards at present.

1. The pupil-teacher ratio for grades 1-2 shall be 25-1 or less.
 - a. We are at the 25-1 level now, thus operating at capacity.
2. The pupil-teacher ratio for grades 3-8 shall be 30-1 or less.
 - a. Because of the double grades we have, we are not fulfilling this requirement.
3. A broad and well-balanced curriculum is offered.
 - a. Needs emphasis in the Art and Physical Education programs.
4. Library Services — Schools enrolling 150-300 children shall provide at least 1000 sq. ft. of library space or the equivalent of one regular classroom. Teachers and pupils must have access to 6,000 books.
 - a. We are consulting with the State Department to determine the feasibility of library space.
 - b. Our library collection falls far short of the necessary number. Long range planning would seem essential in this area.
5. Guidance Services shall be provided for all pupils.
 - a. We do not have a guidance program.
6. Special Education services shall be provided to all children who differ from the average to a significant degree in intellectual, emotional, or physical characteristics.
 - a. We are providing for the education of our physically handicapped children.
 - b. The intellectually handicapped may need some form of specialized instruction.
7. In schools with between 150-300 children enrolled, the Elementary Principal shall have at least one half time scheduled for supervision of instruction and other leadership responsibilities.

- a. Our principal is teaching full time.
- b. Guidance services can be provided by the Principal.

The above summary, of course, does not include all the details of the Minimum Standards, but does indicate some of the main things which must be considered in any long range planning.

As one is aware, the initial schooling that a child receives becomes most crucial in the ensuing years. Many times a child will start out lagging in Grade 1 simply because he or she is not adequately prepared for the process of learning. A relatively new program geared to alleviate this problem has been rapidly gaining state-wide acceptance. The Readiness Program focuses on the developmental age of a child and gears the program to fit his needs. A child who experiences success in school in his primary years will increase his chances for success in the years that follow.

As in the case of any new program the success of it lies with all the people involved. In this case the teaching staff, the parents, the students, and the administration.

The following is a brief summary of how we stand with the AREA School:

For the 1971-72 school year the sending districts requested a phasing in of grades 9-12 into the Rochester AREA School. If allowed, this would mean incentive aid from the state for each child attending. However, due to lack of progress as far as any building program is concerned, the state refused to allow this implementation. Until such time that the AREA is in operation, students are allowed to attend other schools with the District responsible for tuition up to the "state average." It now appears that it will be at least two more years before Strafford can be absorbed under the AREA plan.

In closing, the undersigned would like to express their thanks to the citizens of Strafford, the School Board, the Staff, and the Students for their cooperation during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. MORGAN,
Superintendent of Schools
KENNETH J. BEAUPRE
Assistant Superintendent

SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICE REPORT

Pupils checked by school nurse	174
Vision tests	174
Hearing tests	174
Inspections	174
Heights	174
Weights	174
First Aid	45
Home visits	22

Notices were sent home or phone calls made in cases where defects were observed. Vision and hearing tests were repeated when necessary.

Our Rubella Clinic, German Measles, held on March 24, 1970 was successful with 60 children from kindergarten through grade four, inoculated by Dr. Charles Howath of Durham.

A dental prophylaxis clinic was held at the school from April-May, with Ann Huckins as the hygienist. One hundred ten children were checked and received fluoride treatments. The Strafford School PTA sponsored this program.

Pre-school clinic was attended by seventeen children who will begin first grade in the Fall.

Plans are already underway for next year's prophylaxis clinic. Ann Huckins has agreed to be the hygienist and this program will begin in mid-October, to enable a better follow-up. There is a need of assistance and education in dental health habits, so I hope to work with the lower grades, one through four, especially.

Thank you, and I look forward to being with you again in the Fall.

Sincerely yours,

LOIS FISTERE, R.N.
(Mrs. C. G. Fistere)

**SALARY OF SUPERINTENDENT &
ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT
1969-70**

(Footnote to School Board's Financial Report of 1969-70
Chapter 243, Section 5, New Hampshire Laws 1953.)

School District	% Local Share	Superintendent	Assistant Superintendent
Barrington	10.94	\$ 1,422.20	\$ 1,126.82
Epson	8.66	1,125.80	891.98
Farmington	21.52	2,797.60	2,216.56
Middleton	2.59	336.70	266.77
Milton	14.62	1,900.60	1,505.86
Northwood	12.03	1,563.90	1,239.09
Nottingham	6.82	886.60	702.46
Strafford	8.11	1,054.30	835.33
Wakefield	14.71	1,912.30	1,515.13
Total	100.00	\$ 13,000.00	\$ 10,300.00
State of New Hampshire		2,500.00	2,700.00
		\$ 15,500.00	\$ 13,000.00

**TENTATIVE SCHOOL CALENDAR
SUPERVISORY UNION NO. 44
1971-72**

SCHOOL SESSIONS	No. of Days
1. FALL TERM	
Starts Sept. 8, 1971, closes Dec. 22, 1971	73
2. WINTER TERM	
Starts Jan. 3, 1972, closes Feb. 18, 1972	35
3. SPRING TERM	
Starts Feb. 28, 1972, closes April 21, 1972	40
4. LAST TERM	
Starts May 1, 1972, closes June 16, 1972	34
Total Days	182

DAYS OUT

Teacher's Convention	October 22, 1971
Veteran's Day	October 25, 1971*
Thanksgiving Recess	November 25-26, 1971
Memorial Day	May 29, 1972

ALTERNATIVES

Emergency days can be made up after June 16, 1972, or during the April Vacation.

*If taken, total days would be 181 (Optional)

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF STRAFFORD FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1970

Date of Death	Place of Death	Name of Deceased	Age	Place of Birth	Occupation	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
1969							
Dec. 12	Berwick, Me.	J. Eleanor Cutter	87	Mass.	City Treasurer	Cornelius Brain	Gertrude Cozens
1970							
Jan. 14	Manchester, N.H.	Lillian Johnson	85	N.H.	Ret. Accountant	Ivory Johnson	Martha Otis
Jan. 26	Rochester, N.H.	Eva G. Reeves	76	N.H.	Housewife	Frank S. Dodge	Rosella Pearl
Mar. 3	Rochester, N.H.	Leola F. Turmelle	68	N.H.	Dressmaker	George P. Foss	Edna Caswell
Mar. 23	Rochester, N.H.	Alpha D. Tuttle	91	N.H.	Carpenter	Jeramiah Tuttle	Sarah Smith
July 6	Rochester, N.H.	Raymond Goodwin	84	Mass.	Farmer	George M. Goodwin	Margaret McGuire
Aug. 15	Strafford, N.H.	Margaret Karwowski	66	Thornburn	Housewife	Arthur MacIntosh	Jessie McInnis
Sept. 5	Dover, N.H.	Arthur Burgener	53	Mich.	Laborer	Henry Burgener	.....
Sept. 9	Dover, N.H.	Gladys Brown	76	N.H.	Teacher	William Brown	Angie Strachan
Sept. 10	Strafford, N.H.	Marion L. Hall	73	.....	Housewife	Frank Wentworth	Clara Foss
Oct. 20	Dover, N.H.	Roland H. Jewell	61	N.H.	Mill Worker	Irving Jewell	Maude Harrison
Oct. 27	Rochester, N.H.	Raymond H. Conly	81	Vt.	Memorials	John E. Conly	Nancy Prescott
Nov. 3	Dover, N.H.	Grace Rowe	100	Me.	Housekeeper	William Harrington	Edith
Nov. 4	Dover, N.H.	Ralph Hammer	73	Texas	Shop Planner	Johnnie L. Hammer	Priscilla Rich
Dec. 6	Rochester, N.H.	Herbert C. Lund	49	N.H.	Worker	Frederick Lund	Luri Johnson
Dec. 7	Barnstead, N.H.	Jennie H. Roberts	87	N.H.	Housewife	Henry R. Foss	Addie Tripp
Dec. 20	Rochester, N.H.	Francis C. Cronin	84	Mass.	Navy Yard	Cornelius Cronin	Ellen Feeney

I hereby certify that the above is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.
PHYLLIS F. LYNNBOURG, Town Clerk

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF STRAFFORD FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1970

Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Name of Child	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
1969				
Sept. 23	Rochester, N.H.	Kelly Scribner	Herbert H. Scribner	Ida May Hanson
1970				
Jan. 12	Rochester, N.H.	Valerie A. Pomroy	Birlem B. Pomroy	Jane E. Snook
Jan. 13	Rochester, N.H.	Amy B. Matthews	Ernest F. Matthews	Lucille A. Hayes
Jan. 20	Portsmouth, N.H.	Paul R. Rainey	Wilbur R. Rainey, Jr.	Sheila F. Hardy
Feb. 23	Rochester, N.H.	Carl J. Boedecker	Carl Boedecker	Judith Graham
June 11	Portsmouth, N.H.	Heather Clarke	James D. Clarke	Carolyn M. Carpenter
July 6	Dover, N.H.	Brook R. Zeisse	Richard W. Zeisse	Nancy J. Lucas
July 20	Concord, N.H.	David P. Dame	Philip L. Dame	Carolyn A. Gustafson
Aug. 8	Exeter, N.H.	Tristan H. Anderson	Franz E. Anderson	Harmony E. Wilson
Aug. 28	Rochester, N.H.	Lee A. Pierog	Ronald G. Pierog	Sheila E. Coughlin
Sept. 14	Dover, N.H.	Scott M. Barry	Michael A. Barry, Jr.	Gail J. Stiles
Sept. 16	Portsmouth, N.H.	Michael P. Garvin	Donald P. Garvin	Janice A. Janosz
Oct. 17	Dover, N.H.	Paul D. Burgess	Harlod C. Burgess	Sharron R. Bunnell
Oct. 19	Dover, N.H.	Shawn L. Sandberg	David N. Sandberg	Sally J. Sisson
Nov. 28	Dover, N.H.	Michael D. Whitcher	David R. Whitcher	Barbara L. Emler

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MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF STRAFFORD FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1970

Date of Marriage	Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Res. of Each at time of Marriage	Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Name of Parents	By Whom Married
Feb. 14	Durham	David Keitt	Newmarket	Mar. 9, 1945	S.C.	David Keitt Lizzie M. Jackson	John F. Barrett Justice of Peace Dover, N.H.
Feb. 20	Strafford	Merrilyn B. Omand John H. Bartlett, Jr.	Strafford Strafford	Jan. 9, 1947 June 14, 1942	N.H. Me.	Robert C. Omand Bernice Follansbee John H. Bartlett Kathleen Malone Arthur J. Blacquiere Eileen Gallant	Howard B. Higgins Minister Ctr. Strafford, N.H.
June 13	Strafford	Erma M. Blacquiere John E. Dame	Rochester Rochester	Dec. 1, 1945 Oct. 9, 1948	P.E.I. N.H.	Eldredge W. Dame Frances Malone Roland S. Brown Helen Cutter	Howard B. Higgins Minister Ctr. Strafford, N.H.
June 22	Strafford	Cynthia H. Brown James A. Dunley	Strafford Strafford	Aug. 1, 1948 Apr. 17, 1900	N.H. N.H.	John D. Dunley Mary Sullivan Carl Gundal	Edward M. Zammoni Priest Holliston, Mass.
July 11	Rochester	Elsa H. Rupp Richard C. Omand	Revere, Mass. Strafford	June 26, 1916 Nov. 9, 1944	Mass. N.H.	Katharine J. Gohr Robert Omand Bernice Follansbee Charles Potter Edna Tebeau	Richard O. Tetre Priest Rochester, N.H.
July 17	Rochester	Charlene M. Potter John A. Monroe, Jr.	Rochester Rochester	Jan. 11, 1951 Aug. 11, 1946	Mass. N.H.	John Monroe Blanche Parent Robert Brace Jean Morrison	William L. Shafer Ordained Elder Rochester, N.H.
Dec. 5	Rochester	Donna Vaillancourt Frank R. Roderick	Strafford Strafford	June 25, 1946 Oct. 4, 1914	N.H. Me.	Edna Tebeau Blanche Parent Robert Brace Jean Morrison	Donald H. Marsh Priest Rochester, N.H.
Dec. 25	Strafford	Marilyn F. Simboli Dennis F. Thurston	Astoria, N.Y. Strafford	Apr. 13, 1931 Mar. 4, 1952	N.Y. N.H.	Mario W. Simboli Elenor Schmidt Walter S. Thurston Rachael Roberts	Howard B. Higgins Minister Ctr. Strafford, N.H.
May 23	Tamworth	Monda O. Grondin Barry L. Nation Rosalind H. Moody	Farmington Strafford Rochester	May 6, 1952 May 28, 1943 May 22, 1949	Me. Mass. N.H.	Sterling Grondin Geraldine Landeen Alfred Nation Barbara Hallett Edward Moody Dorothy King	James W. Kellett Episcopal Priest Chocorua, N.H.

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